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# Poinsett County 2007 County Adult Health Survey

## Introduction

### What is the County Adult Health Survey?

The national focus on improving the health of American citizens has also become a major focus for local communities.<sup>1</sup> As a result, health related data are needed by state, county, and local agencies for developing health-promotion programs and to efficiently target health dollars. The **County Adult Health Survey** is an instrument used by **Hometown Health Improvement** to collect, evaluate, and monitor personal risk behaviors that affect the health of adults in Arkansas communities. The survey uses questions from the **Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System** survey (BRFSS), developed by the Centers for Disease Control.<sup>2</sup>

### What is Hometown Health Improvement?

Hometown Health Improvement is a grassroots initiative that stresses cooperative action and creative solutions at the local level to identify community health problems and to develop and implement ways to solve them.

This goal is accomplished through cooperation, coalition building, community health assessment, prioritization of health issues, and the development and implementation of health-improving strategies designed and sustained locally.

As part of this initiative, Poinsett County conducted the County Adult Health Survey using questions from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS).



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<sup>1</sup> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Healthy People 2010. Atlanta, Georgia. <http://www.healthypeople.gov>

<sup>2</sup> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. About BRFSS. Atlanta, Georgia. <http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/brfss/about.htm>

## **What is the BRFSS?**

The BRFSS is a survey developed to help states collect and monitor state level information on health conditions and the major risk behaviors that can affect the health of their adults. It was developed in the 1980s by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention after research indicated that personal health behaviors play an important role in premature death and illness. Primarily, the survey focuses on behaviors that are linked to the leading causes of death (heart disease, cancer, stroke, diabetes and injury) and other important health issues. The specific behaviors included in the survey are the following:

- Not getting enough physical activity
- Being overweight
- Not using seatbelts
- Using tobacco and alcohol
- Not getting preventive medical care (e.g. flu shots, mammograms, Pap smears, colorectal exams) that can save lives.

## **How is the BRFSS used?**

State and local health departments in all 50 states rely heavily on BRFSS data to do the following:

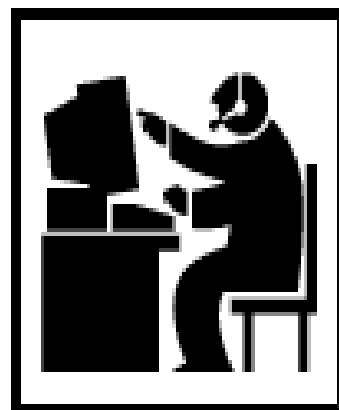
- Determine priority health issues and identify populations at highest risk.
- Develop strategic plans and target prevention programs.
- Monitor the effectiveness of intervention strategies and progress toward prevention goals.
- Educate the public, the health community, and policymakers about disease prevention.
- Support community policies that promote health and prevent disease.

BRFSS information is also used by researchers, voluntary, organizations and professional managed care organizations to target prevention efforts. Recognizing the value of such a system in addressing priority health issues in the coming century; China, Canada, and other countries have looked to CDC for assistance in establishing BRFSS-like systems for their own populations.

The ability to determine which population groups have the greatest health risk factors is essential in effectively targeting scarce prevention resources. BRFSS data can be analyzed by a variety of demographic and economic variables such as age, education, income, and racial and ethnic background, to determine which populations are at highest risk in a community.

## **How did Poinsett County conduct the County Adult Health Survey?**

During March and April 2007, a telephone survey of 899 randomly selected adults in Poinsett County was conducted. Telephone interviews were carried out and supervised by trained telephone research interviewers at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock's Institute of Government.



## Who participated in the Poinsett County 2007 County Adult Health Survey?

Of the 899 people who were interviewed, 288 were men and 611 were women. The following chart summarizes the demographics of the survey participants as both raw numbers and as weighted data. The raw data is the data collected from the sample of persons interviewed. The weighted data is the collected survey data (raw data) that has been adjusted to represent the population from which the sample was drawn.

All other data presented in the report is based on the **weighted** data. All percentages presented in this report are rounded to the nearest whole percent.

Table 1: Survey demographics

<b>Variables</b>	<b>Categories</b>	<b>Raw Data (%)</b>	<b>Weighted Data (%)</b>
<b>Age</b>	18-39	18	41
	40-64	45	40
	65+	37	19
<b>Education</b>	< HS Education	30	23
	HS Graduate	57	64
	College Graduate	13	13
<b>Income</b>	< \$20,000	41	30
	\$20,000-\$50,000	38	44
	> \$50,000	21	26
<b>Gender</b>	Male	32	48
	Female	68	52

## Who participated in the Poinsett County 2007 County Adult Health Survey? (continued)

Figure 1: Survey demographics, by age

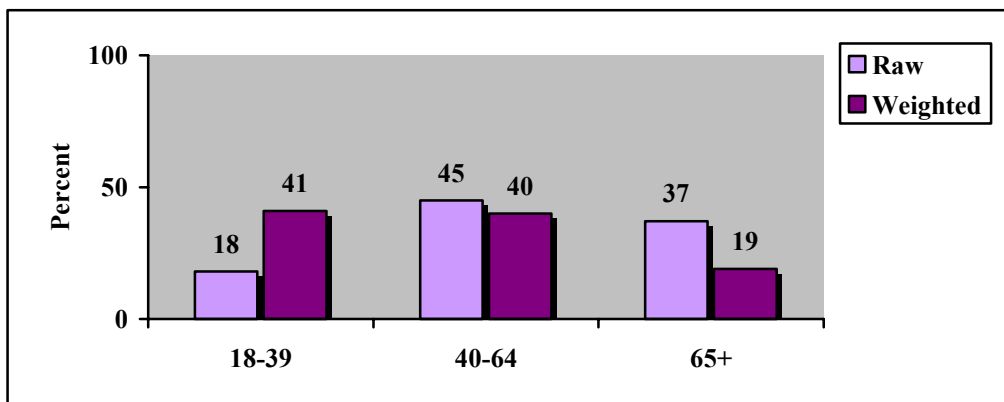
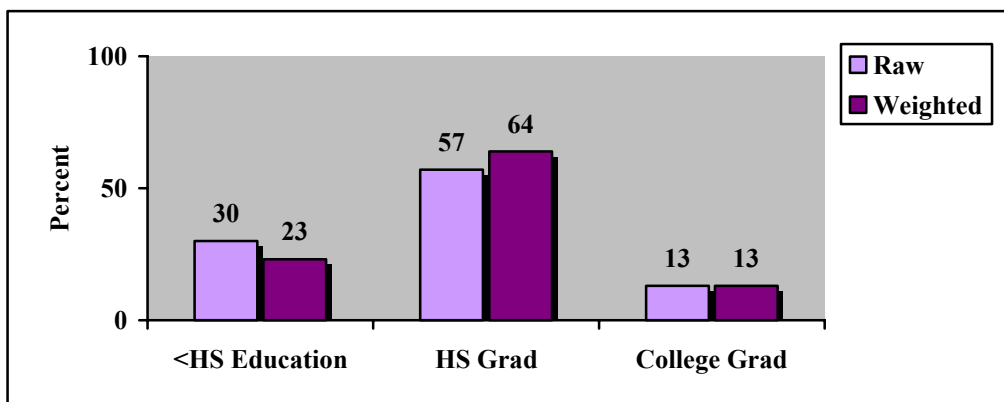


Figure 2: Survey demographics, by education



## Who participated in the Poinsett County 2007 County Adult Health Survey? (continued)

Figure 3: Survey demographics, by income

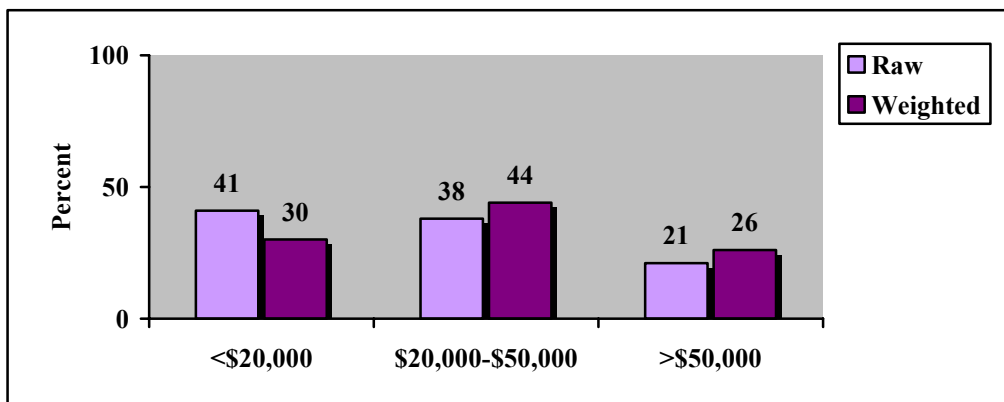
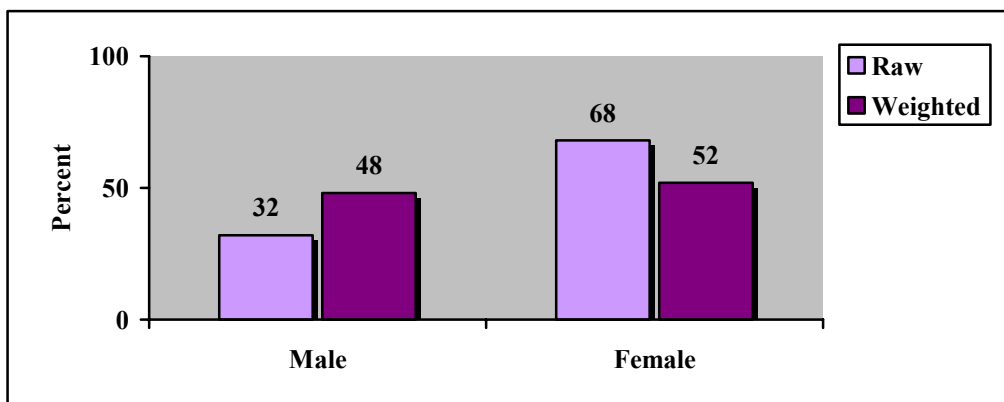


Figure 4: Survey demographics, by gender





# **Risk Factors**

## Health Status

The survey asked respondents to rate their general, physical, and mental health status. Perceived health status is an important indicator of functionality and health-related quality of life. It assesses health issues that are not measured by standard morbidity and mortality data.

### General Health

#### **Risk Factor Definition: General health “fair” or “poor”**

Question: Would you say that your general health is “excellent,” “very good,” “good,” “fair,” or “poor?”

At risk: Those who answered “fair” or “poor” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Thirty-one percent (31%) of adults in Poinsett County reported their general health as fair or poor.
- The prevalence of reported fair or poor general health was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (16%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (37%), and respondents 65 years and older (49%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported fair or poor general health was higher among those respondents with less than a high school education (57%) than among those respondents with a high school education (24%), and college education (18%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported fair or poor general health was higher among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (57%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (22%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (11%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

## Health Status (continued)

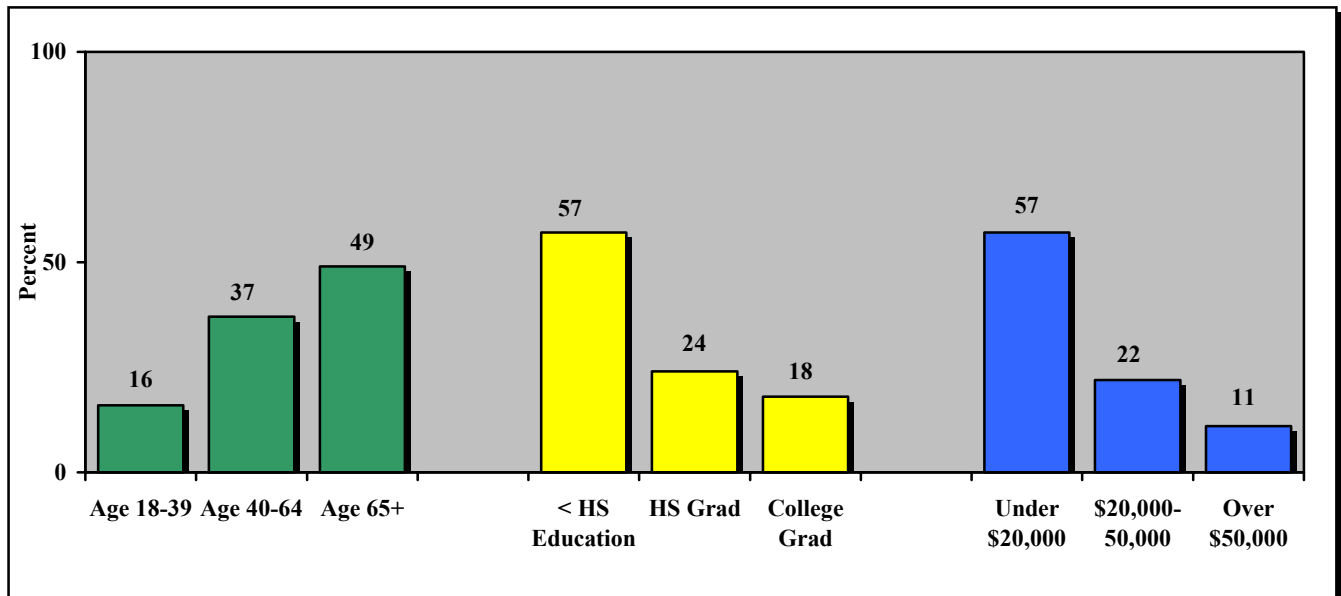
### **Risk Factor Definition: General health “fair” or “poor”**

Respondents who reported fair or poor general health.

Table 1: General health

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	16	<HS Education	57	<\$20,000	57
40-64	37	HS Grad.	24	\$20,000-\$50,000	22
65+	49	College Grad.	18	>\$50,000	11

Figure 1: General health



## **Health Status** (continued)

### **Physical Health**

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Physical health “not good”**

Question: Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health not good?

At risk: Having one or more self-reported days of “not good” physical health.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Forty-two percent (42%) of Poinsett County adults had at least one day when physical health was not good during the month preceding the survey.
- The prevalence of reported physical health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (38%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (44%), and respondents 65 years and older (47%) (Table 2 and Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported physical health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among those respondents with less than a high school education (52%) than among those respondents with a high school education (39%), and college education (45%) (Table 2 and Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported physical health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (55%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (35%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (36%) (Table 2 and Figure 2).

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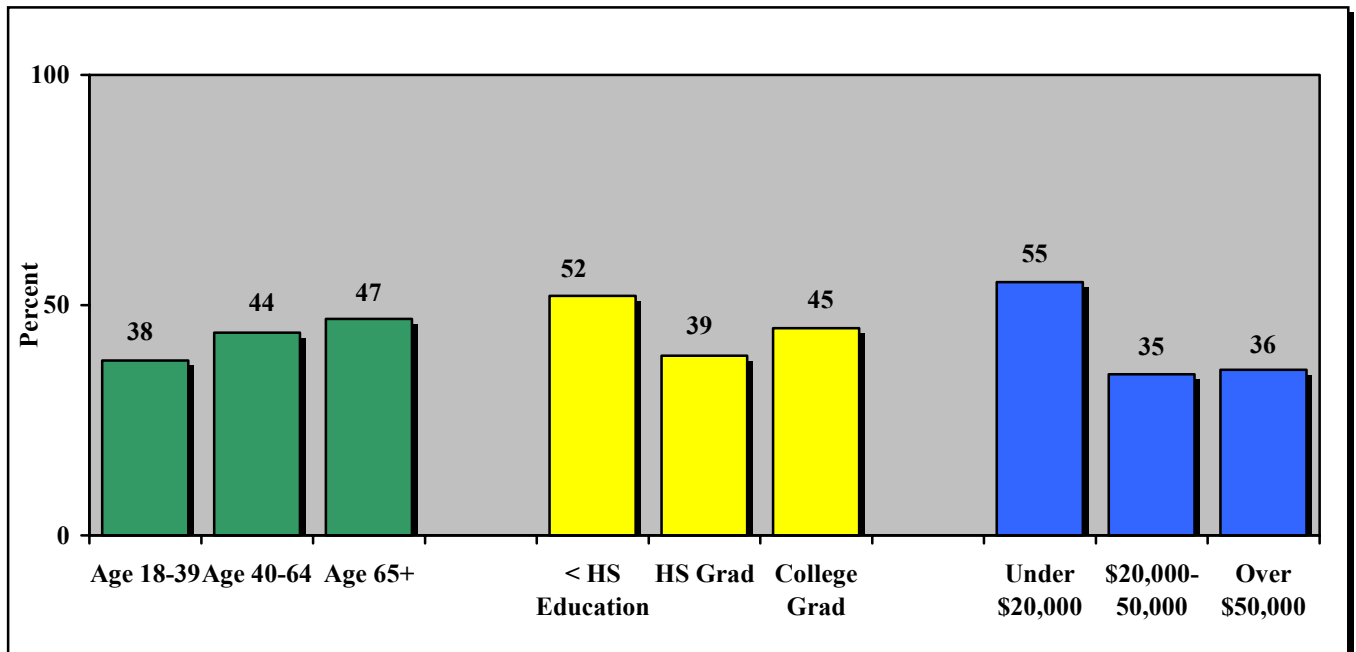
### **Risk Factor Definition: Physical health “not good”**

Respondents who reported physical health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey.

Table 2: Physical health

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	38	<HS Education	52	<\$20,000	55
40-64	44	HS Grad.	39	\$20,000-\$50,000	35
65+	47	College Grad.	45	>\$50,000	36

Figure 2: Physical health



## **Health Status** (continued)

### **Mental Health**

Mental health includes stress, depression, and problems with emotions.

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Mental health “not good”**

Question: How many days during the past 30 days was your mental health not good?

At Risk: Having one or more self-reported days of “not good” mental health.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Forty percent (40%) of adults in Poinsett County had at least one day of poor mental health in the past month.
- The prevalence of reported mental health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (47%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (40%), and respondents 65 years and older (23%) (Table 3 and Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported mental health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was lower among those respondents with less than a high school education (31%) than among those respondents with a high school education (44%), and college education (34%) (Table 3 and Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported mental health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was lower among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (45%) than among those with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (47%); and higher than among those with an annual household income of more than \$50,000 (23%) (Table 3 and Figure 3).

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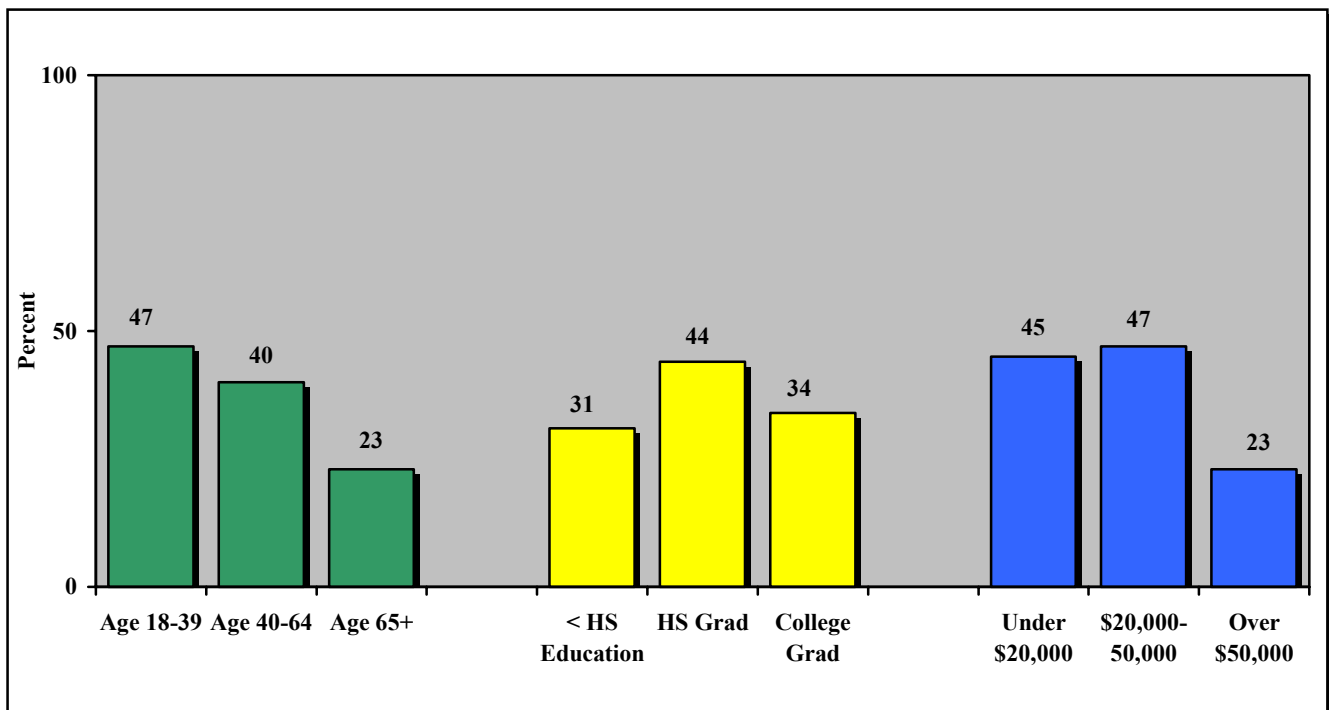
### **Risk Factor Definition: Mental health “not good”**

Respondents who reported mental health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey.

Table 3: Mental health

Age	(%)	Education	(%)	Income	(%)
18-39	47	<HS Education	31	<\$20,000	45
40-64	40	HS Grad.	44	\$20,000-\$50,000	47
65+	23	College Grad.	34	>\$50,000	23

Figure 3: Mental health

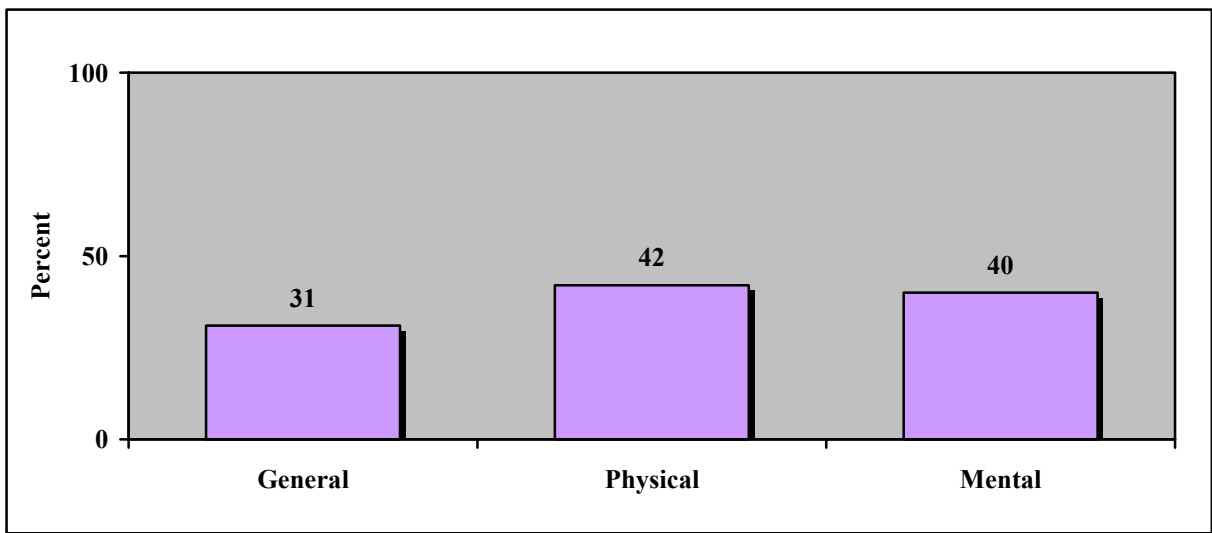


## Health Status (continued)

### Summary of data on health status

- The prevalence of reported fair or poor general health (31%) was lower among adults in Poinsett County than the prevalence of reported physical health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (42%) (Figure 4).
- The prevalence of reported mental health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (40%) was lower among adults in Poinsett County than the prevalence of physical health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding survey (42%) (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Summary of reported findings on health status





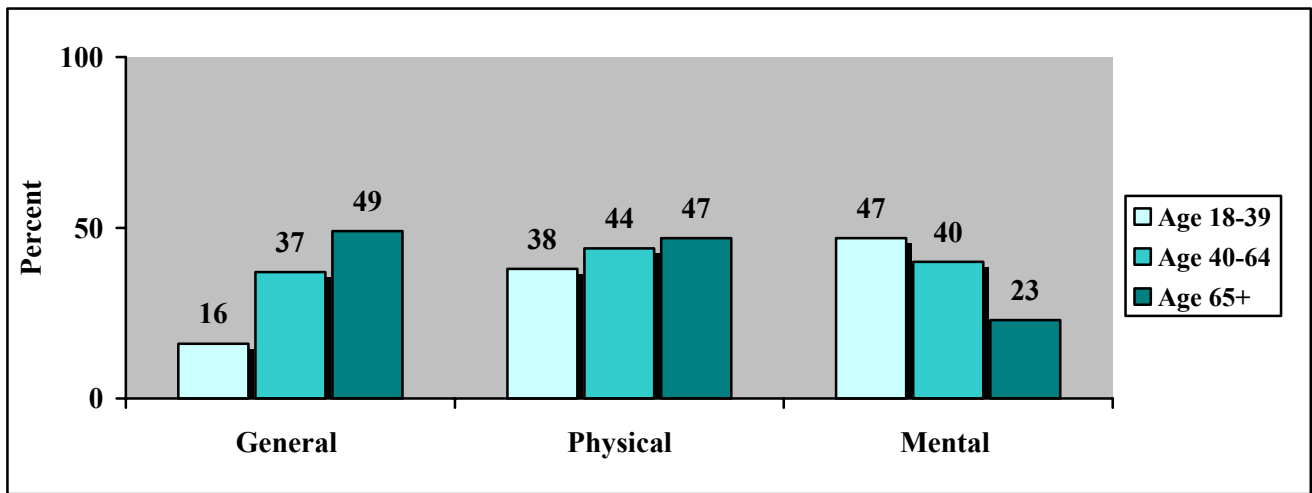
## Health Status (continued)

Comparing the reported impact of age on general, physical and mental health status.

### Summary of reported findings on health status, by age

- Respondents aged 18-39 years were:
  - Less likely (16%) than respondents aged 40-64 years (37%) and respondents 65 years and older (49%) to report fair or poor **general health** (Figure 5);
  - Less likely (38%) than respondents aged 40-64 years (44%) and respondents 65 years and older (47%) to report **physical health** not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 5);
  - More likely (47%) than respondents aged 40-64 years (40%), and respondents 65 years and older (23%) to report **mental health** not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 5).
- Respondents 65 years and older were:
  - More likely (49%) than respondents aged 40-64 years (37%) and respondents aged 18-39 years (16%) to report fair or poor **general health** (Figure 5);
  - More likely (47%) than respondents aged 40-64 years (44%), and respondents aged 18-39 years (38%) to report **physical health** not good on one or more the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 5);
  - Less likely (23%) than respondents aged 40-64 years (40%) and respondents aged 18-39 years (47%) to report **mental health** not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 5).

Figure 5: Summary of reported findings on health status, by age



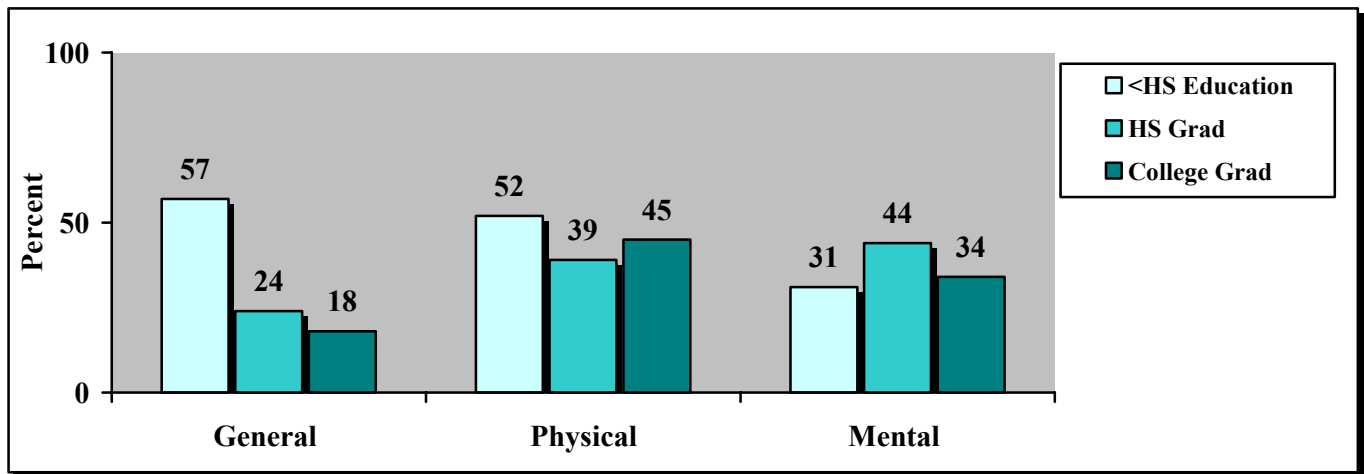
## Health Status (continued)

Comparing the reported impact of education on general, physical and mental health status.

### Summary of reported findings on health status, by education

- Respondents with less than a high school education were:
  - More likely (57%) than respondents with a high school education (24%) and college education (18%) to report fair or poor **general health** (Figure 6);
  - More likely (52%) than respondents with a high school education (39%) and college education (45%) to report **physical health** not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 6);
  - Less likely (31%) than respondents with a high school education (44%) and college education (34%) to report **mental health** not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 6).
- Respondents with a college education were:
  - Less likely (18%) than respondents with a high school education (24%) and those with less than a high school education (57%) to report fair or poor **general health** (Figure 6);
  - More likely (45%) than respondents with a high school education (39%); and less likely than those with less than a high school education (52%) to report **physical health** not good on one or more the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 6);
  - Less likely (34%) than respondents with a high school education (44%); and more likely than those with less than a high school education (31%) to report **mental health** not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 6).

Figure 6: Summary of reported findings on health status, by education



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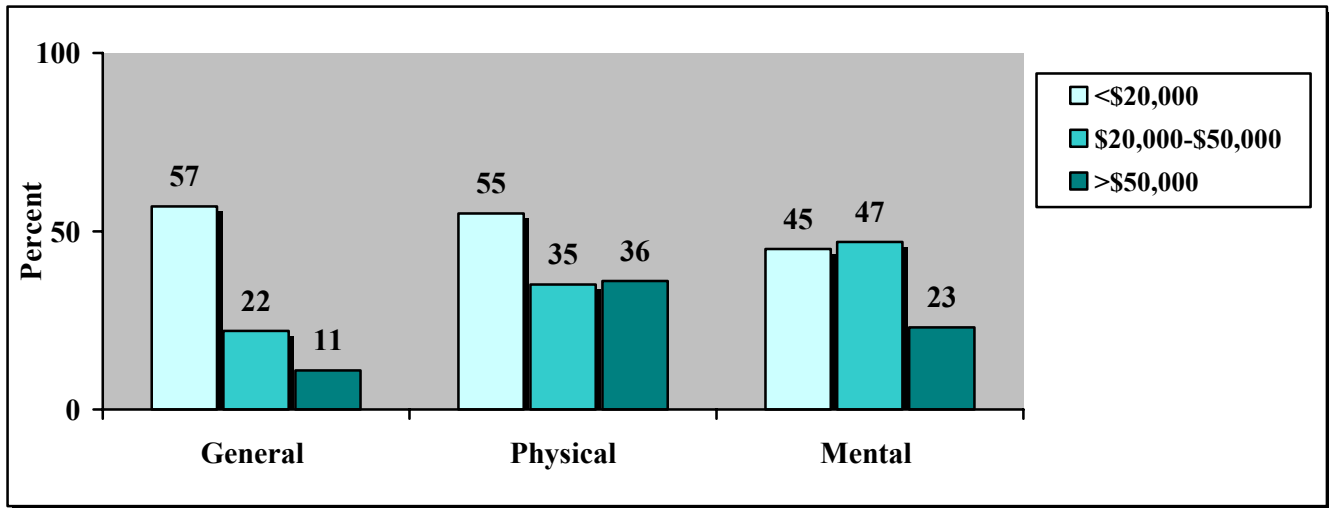
Comparing the reported impact of annual household income on general, physical and mental health status.

### Summary of reported findings on health status, by income

- Respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 were:
  - More likely (57%) than respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (22%) and those with an annual household income over \$50,000 (11%) to report fair or poor **general health** (Figure 7);
  - More likely (55%) than respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (35%) and those with an annual household income over \$50,000 (36%) to report **physical health** not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 7);
  - Less likely (45%) than respondents with annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (47%); and more likely than those with an annual household income over \$50,000 (23%) to report **mental health** not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 7).
- Respondents with an annual household income over \$50,000 were:
  - Less likely (11%) than respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (22%) and respondents with annual household income of less than \$20,000 (57%) to report fair or poor **general health** (Figure 7).
  - More likely (36%) than respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (35%), and less likely than respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (55%) to report **physical health** not good on one or more the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 7).
  - Less likely (23%) than respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (47%) and respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (45%) to report **mental health** not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 7).

## Health Status (continued)

Figure 7: Summary of reported findings on health status, by income



## Health Status (continued)

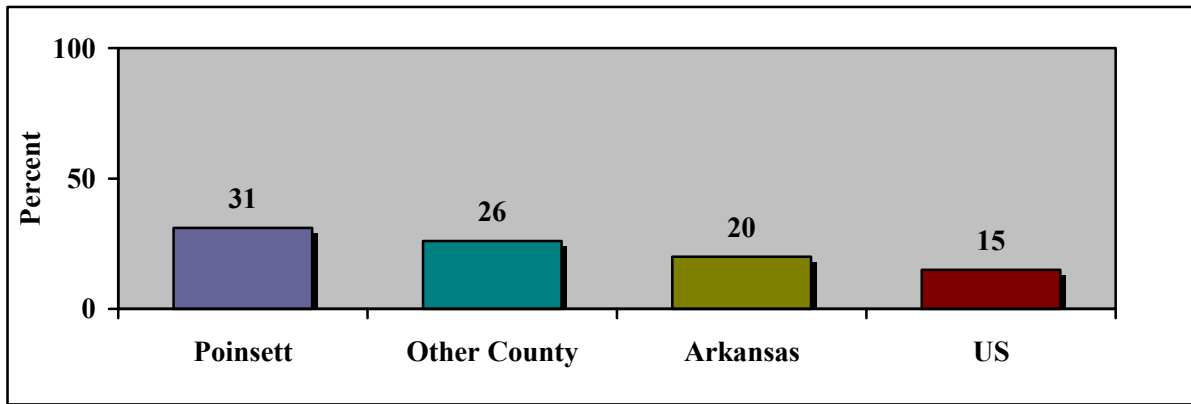
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on general health

- The prevalence of reported fair or poor general health was higher among adults in Poinsett County (31%) than among adults in a neighboring county (26%) (Figure 8).
- The prevalence of reported fair or poor general health was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (31%) than among adults in the state (20%), and adults in the nation (15%) (Figure 8).

Figure 8: Comparing reported findings on general health



## Health Status (continued)

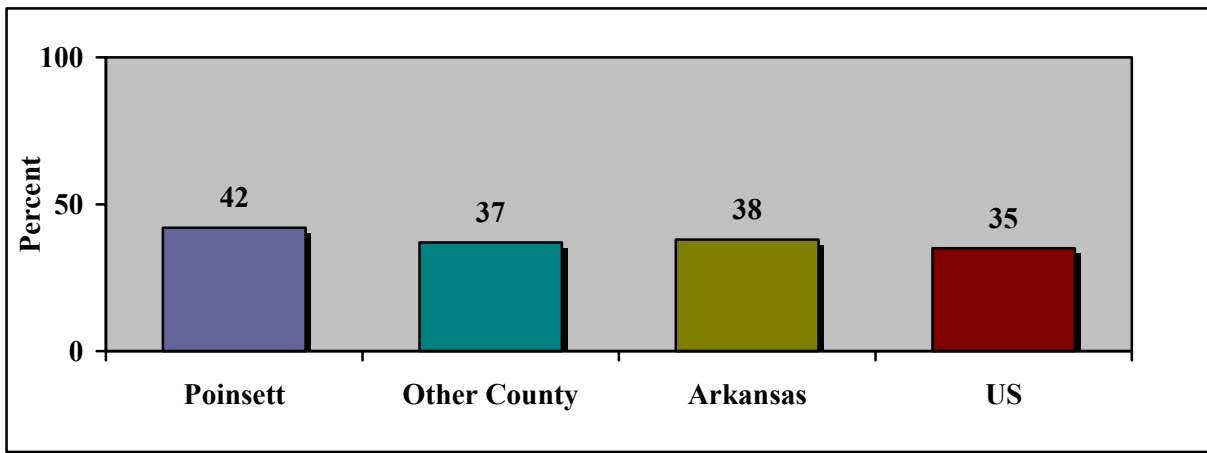
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on physical health

- The prevalence of reported physical health not good on one or more days in the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among adults in Poinsett County (42%) than among adults in a neighboring county (37%) (Figure 9).
- The prevalence of reported physical health not good on one or more days in the thirty days preceding the survey was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (42%) than among adults the state (38%), and adults in the nation (35%) (Figure 9).

Figure 9: Comparing reported findings on physical health



## Health Status (continued)

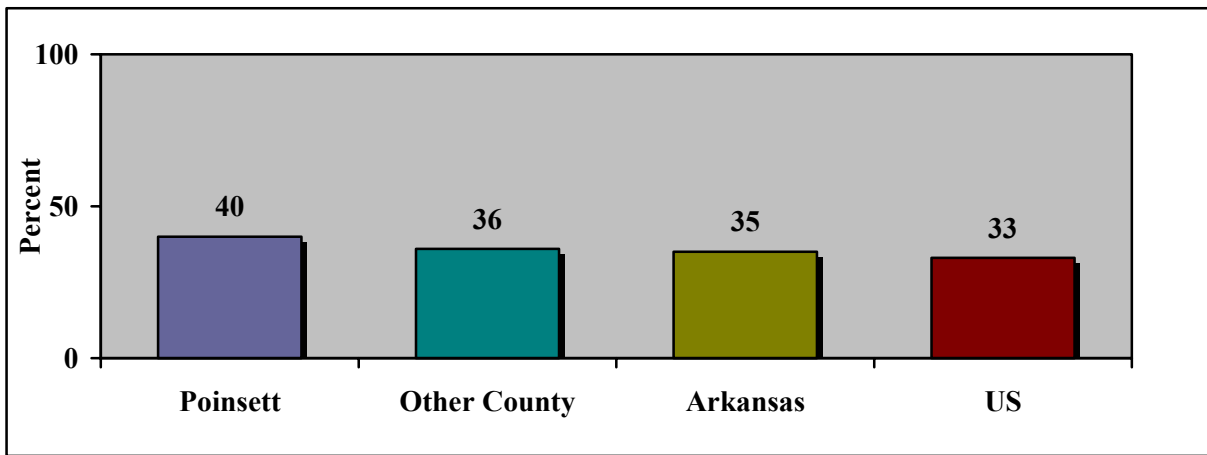
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on mental health

- The prevalence of reported mental health not good on one or more the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among adults in Poinsett County (40%) than among adults in a neighboring county (36%) (Figure 10).
- The prevalence of reported mental health not good on one or more the thirty days preceding the survey was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (40%) than among adults in the state (35%), and adults in the nation (33%) (Figure 10).

Figure 10: Comparing reported findings on mental health



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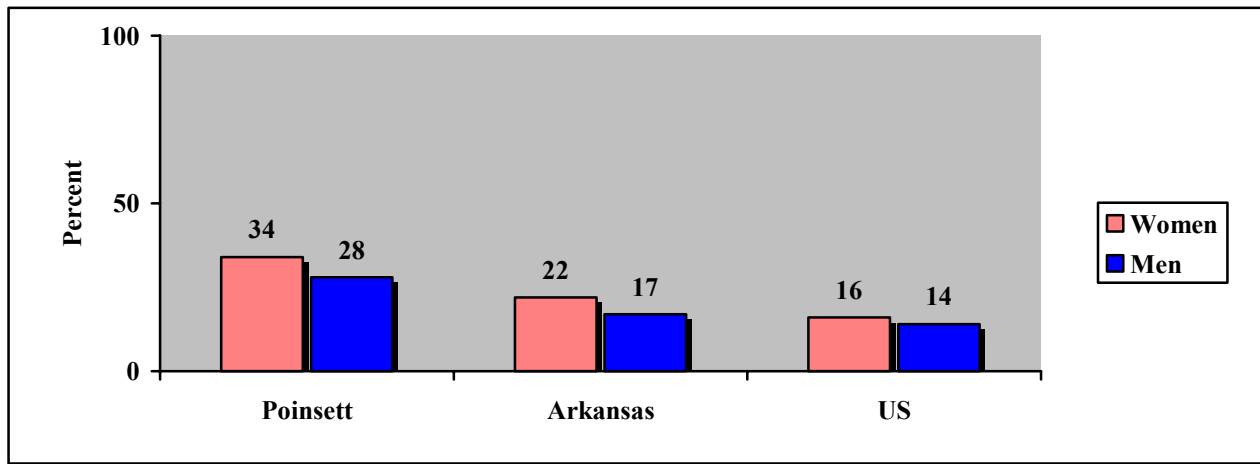
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on general health, by gender

- The prevalence of reported fair or poor general health was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (34%) than among adult women in the state (22%), and adult women in the nation (16%) (Figure 11).
- The prevalence of reported fair or poor general health was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (28%) than among adult men in the state (17%) and in the nation (14%) (Figure 11).

Figure 11: Comparing reported findings on general health, by gender





## Health Status (continued)

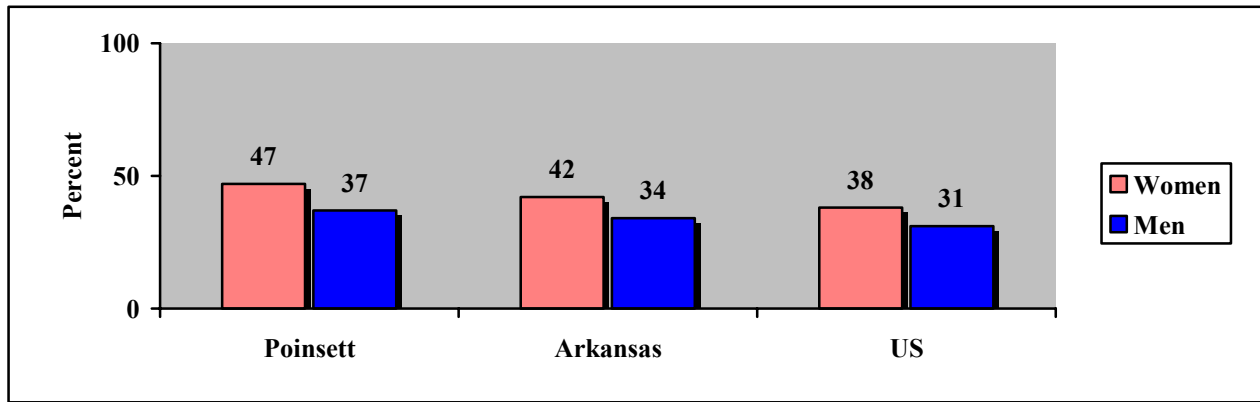
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on physical health, by gender

- The prevalence of reported physical health not good on one or more the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (47%) than among adult women in the state (42%), and adult women in the nation (38%) (Figure 12).
- The prevalence of reported physical health not good on one or more the thirty days preceding the survey was equal among adult men in Poinsett County (7%) and adult men in the state (34%); and higher than among adult men in the nation (31%) (Figure 12).

Figure 12: Comparing reported findings on physical health, by gender



## Health Status (continued)

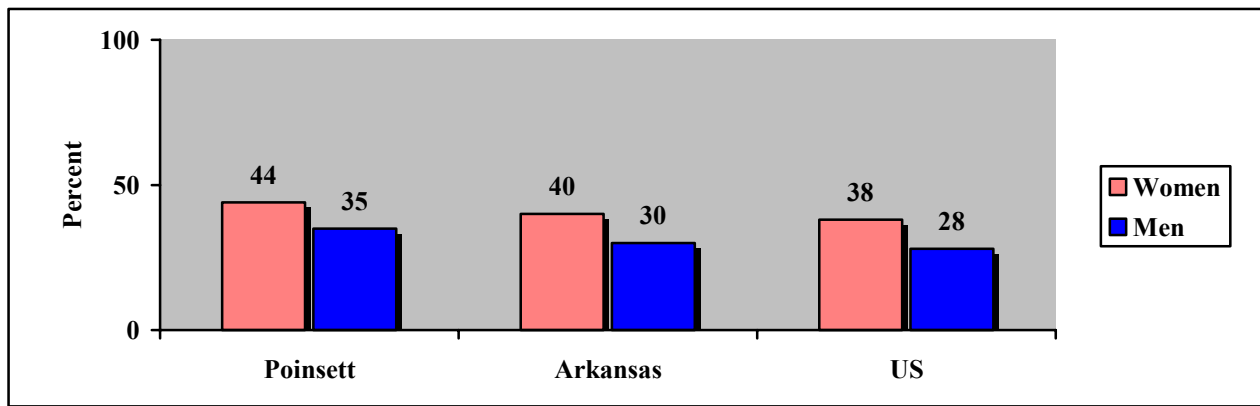
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on mental health, by gender

- The prevalence of reported mental health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (44%) than among adult women in the state (40%), and nation (38%) (Figure 13).
- The prevalence of reported mental health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (35%) than among adult men in the state (30%), and adult men in the nation (28%) (Figure 13).

Figure 13: Comparing reported findings on mental health, by gender



## Health Care Access


The survey asked if respondents had health insurance. Health insurance provides better access to health care. Those with health insurance are more likely to have a primary care physician to receive appropriate preventative care.

### **Risk Factor Definition: No health care coverage**

Question: Do you have any kind of health care coverage, including health insurance, prepaid plans such as HMOs, or government plans such as Medicare?

At Risk: Those who answered “no” are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Twenty-five percent (25%) of adults in Poinsett County reported that they did not have health care coverage.
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- The prevalence of reported lack of health care coverage was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (41%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (21%), and respondents 65 years and older (2%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
  - The prevalence of reported lack of health care coverage was lower among those respondents with less than a high school education (24%) than among those with a high school education (30%); and higher than among those with a college education (5%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
  - The prevalence of reported lack of health care coverage was lower among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (31%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (32%); and higher than among those respondents with an annual household income of more than \$50,000 (8%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

## Health Care Access (continued)

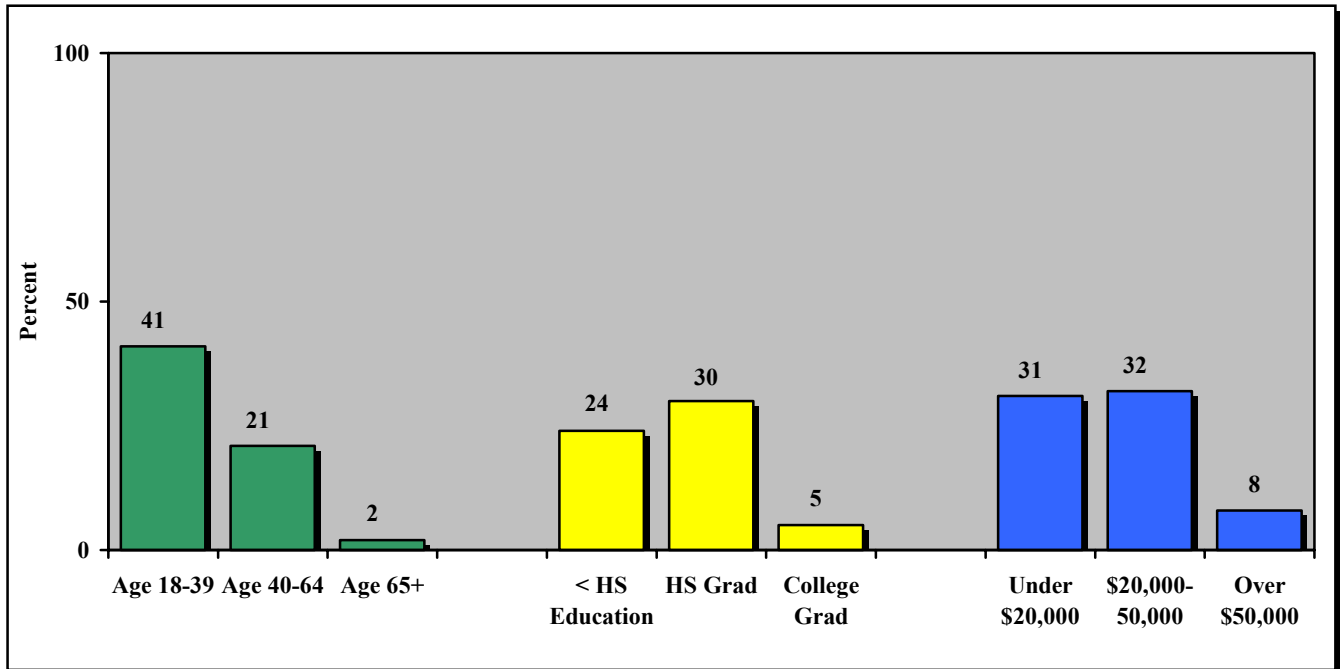
### **Risk Factor Definition: No health care coverage**

Respondents who reported no health care coverage.

Table 1: No health care coverage

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	41	<HS Education	24	<\$20,000	31
40-64	21	HS Grad.	30	\$20,000-\$50,000	32
65+	2	College Grad.	5	>\$50,000	8

Figure 1: No health care coverage



## Health Care Access (continued)

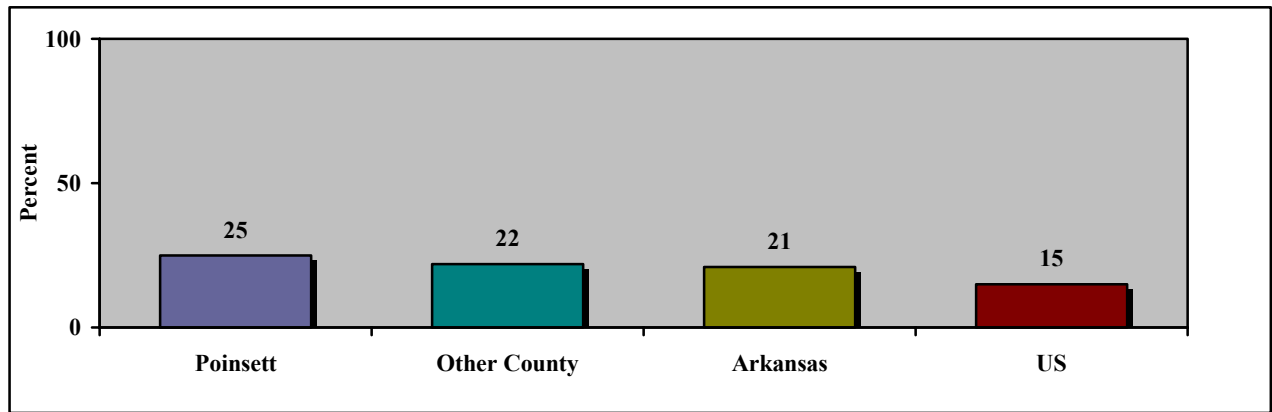
### **How does Poinsett County compare?**

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### **Comparing reported findings on health care coverage**

- The prevalence of reported no health care coverage was higher among adults in Poinsett County (25%) than among adults in a neighboring county (22%) (Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported no health care coverage was higher among adults in Poinsett County (25%) than among adults in the state (21%), and adults in the nation (15%) (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Comparing reported findings on health care coverage



## Health Care Access (continued)

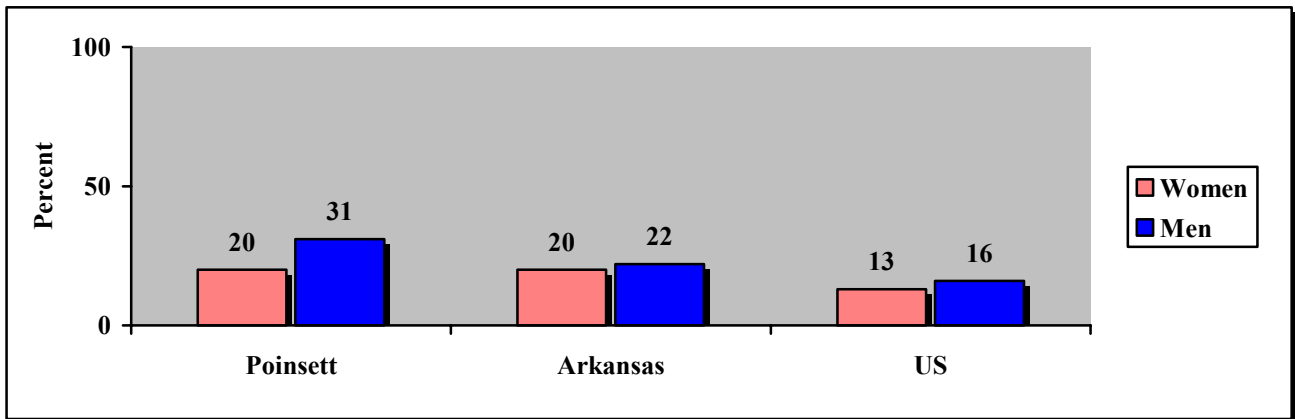
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on health care coverage, by gender

- The prevalence of reported no health care coverage was equal among adult women in Poinsett County (20%) and adult women in the state (20%); and higher than among adult women in the nation (13%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported no health care coverage was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (31%) than among adult men in the state (22%), and adult men in the nation (16%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on health care coverage, by gender



# Hypertension

Uncontrolled high blood pressure can lead to stroke, heart attack, heart failure, or kidney failure.

## **Risk Factor Definition: Have high blood pressure (hypertension)**

- Questions:
1. Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that you have high blood pressure?
  2. Are you currently taking medicine for your high blood pressure?

At Risk: Those who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

## **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Thirty-eight percent (38%) of adults in Poinsett County reported that they had been given a hypertension diagnosis by a doctor.
- The prevalence of reported hypertension diagnosis by a doctor was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (17%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (47%), and respondents 65 years and older (64%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported hypertension diagnosis by a doctor was higher among those respondents with less than a high school education (43%) than among those respondents with a high school education (36%), and college education (37%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported hypertension diagnosis by a doctor was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (44%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (35%), and those with an annual household income of more than \$50,000 (31%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).



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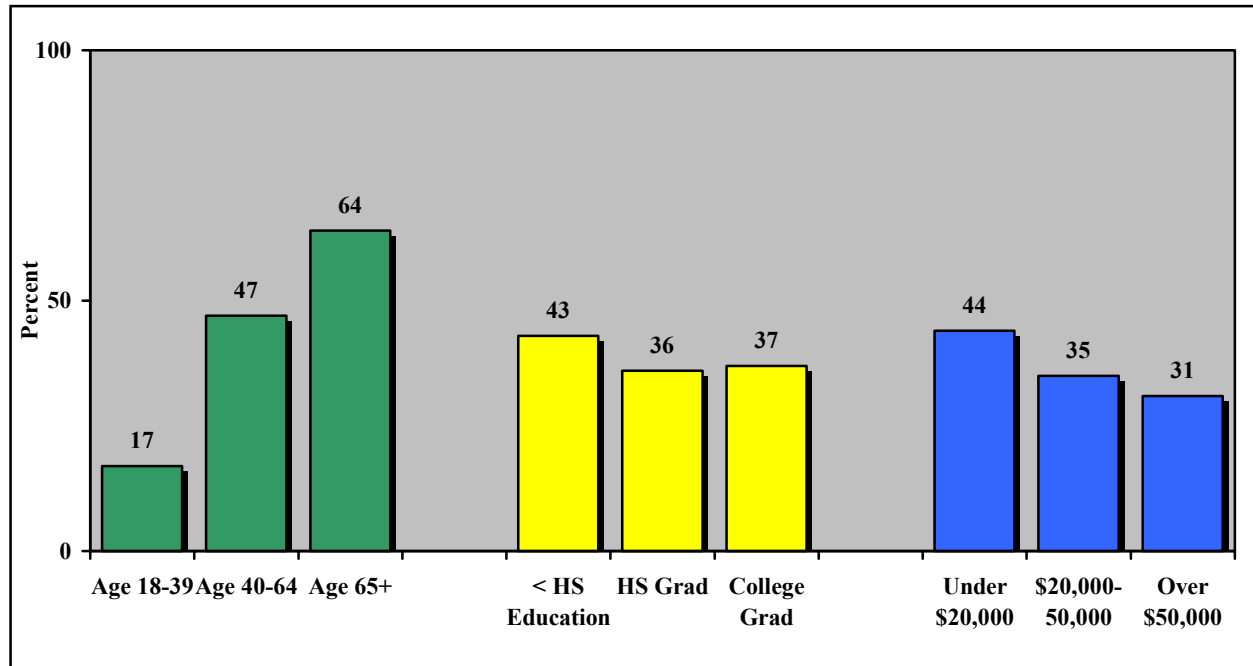
### **Risk Factor Definition: Have high blood pressure**

Respondents who reported that they had been given a hypertension diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional.

Table 1: Hypertension

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	17	<HS Education	43	<\$20,000	44
40-64	47	HS Grad.	36	\$20,000-\$50,000	35
65+	64	College Grad.	37	>\$50,000	31

Figure 1: Hypertension





## Hypertension (continued)

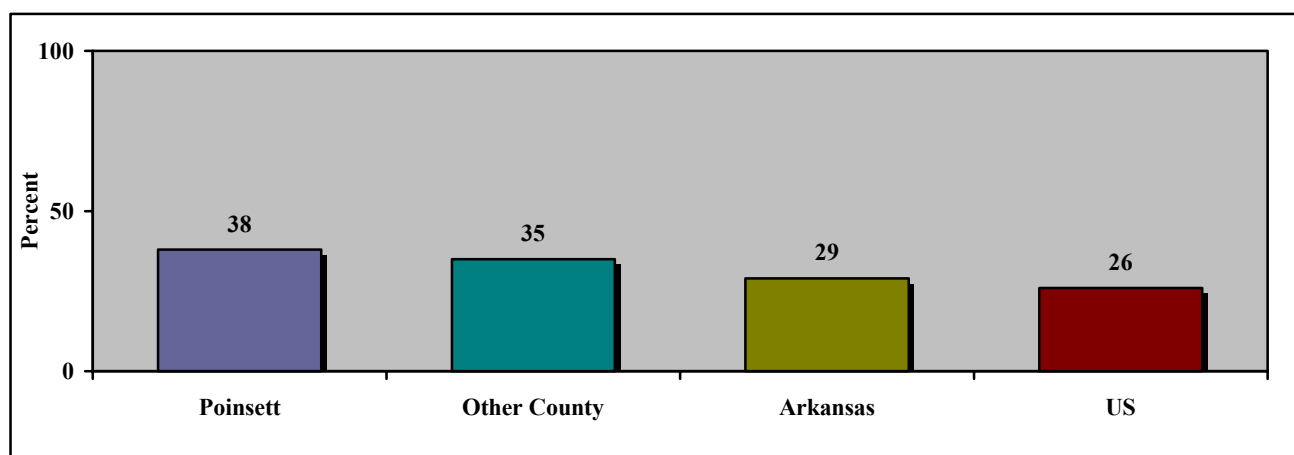
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on hypertension

- The prevalence of reported hypertension diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among adults in Poinsett County (38%) than among adults in a neighboring county (35%) (Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported hypertension diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (38%) than among adults in the state (29%), and nation (26%) (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Comparing reported findings on hypertension



## Hypertension (continued)

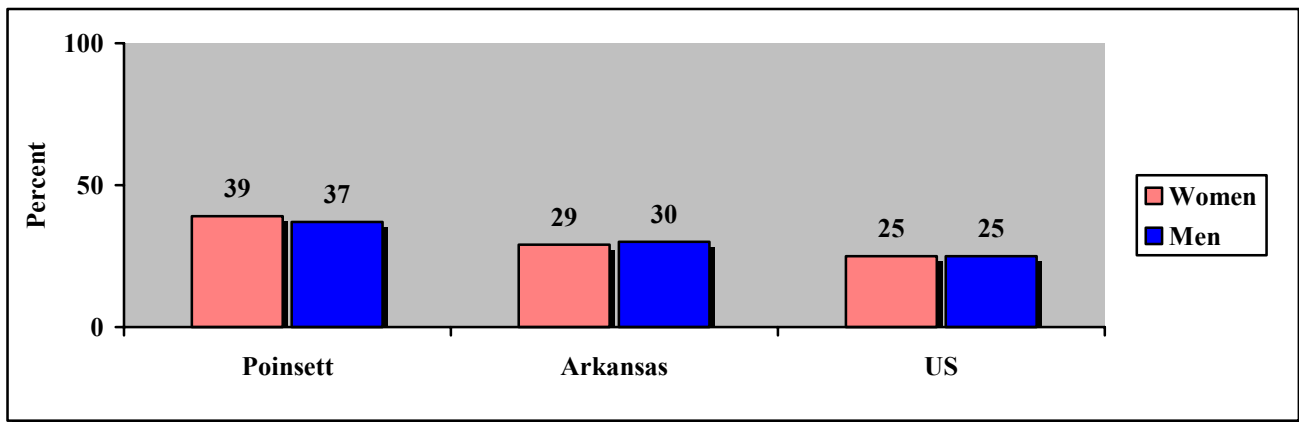
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on hypertension, by gender

- The prevalence of reported hypertension diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (39%) than among adult women in the state (29%), and adult women in the nation (25%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported hypertension diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (37%) than among adult men in the state (30%), and nation (25%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on hypertension, by gender



# Cholesterol

People with high cholesterol are at a higher risk for heart attack and stroke.

## Testing for Cholesterol

### **Risk Factor Definition: Have not had blood cholesterol checked in past two years**

Blood cholesterol is a fatty substance found in the blood.

Questions:    1. Have you ever had your blood cholesterol checked?  
                    2. Approximately how long has it been since you had your blood cholesterol checked?

At Risk:        Those who have not had their blood cholesterol checked within the past 2 years are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Thirty-eight percent (38%) of Poinsett County adults reported that they had not checked blood cholesterol levels in the two years preceding the survey.
- The prevalence of not having checked blood cholesterol in the two years preceding the survey was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (62%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (27%), and respondents 65 years and older (13%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of not having checked blood cholesterol in the two years preceding the survey was lower among respondents with less than a high school education (39%) than among respondents with a high school education (40%); and higher than among those respondents with a college education (30%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of not having checked blood cholesterol in the two years preceding the survey was higher among those with an annual household income of under \$20,000 (42%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (41%), and respondents with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (32%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

## Cholesterol (continued)

### **Risk Factor Definition: Have not had blood cholesterol checked in past two years**

Respondents who reported that they had not checked blood cholesterol levels in the two years preceding the survey.

Table 1: Testing for cholesterol

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	62	<HS Education	39	<\$20,000	42
40-64	27	HS Grad.	40	\$20,000-\$50,000	41
65+	13	College Grad.	30	>\$50,000	32

Figure 1: Testing for cholesterol

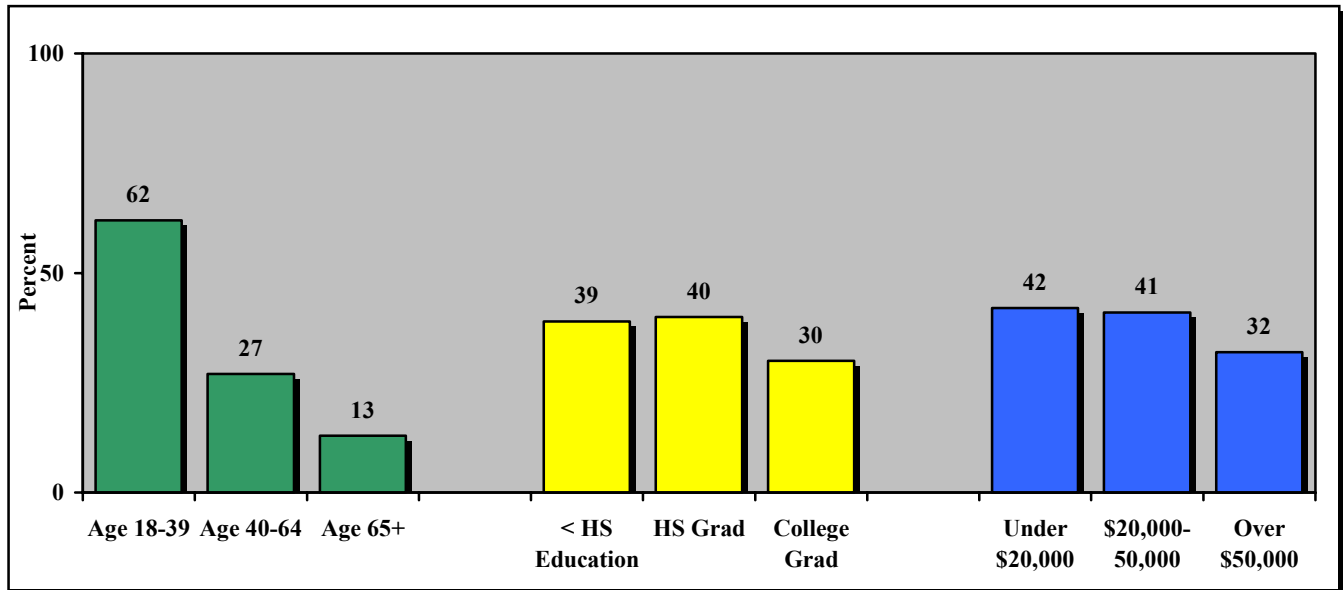
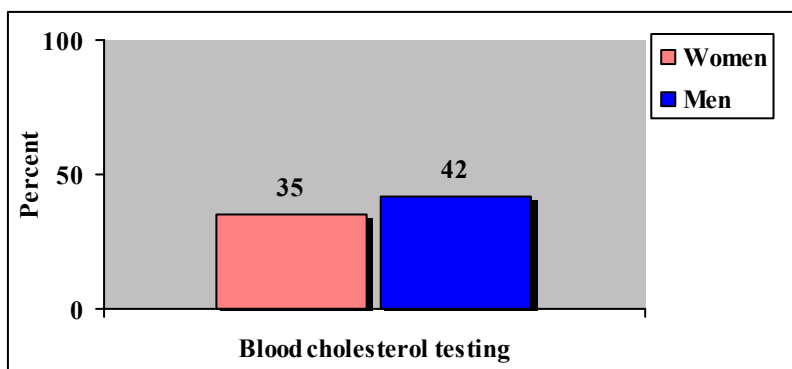


Figure 2: Testing for cholesterol, by gender



The prevalence of reported blood cholesterol not checked in the two years preceding the survey was **lower** among **adult women (35%)** than among **adult men (42%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 2).

## Cholesterol (continued)

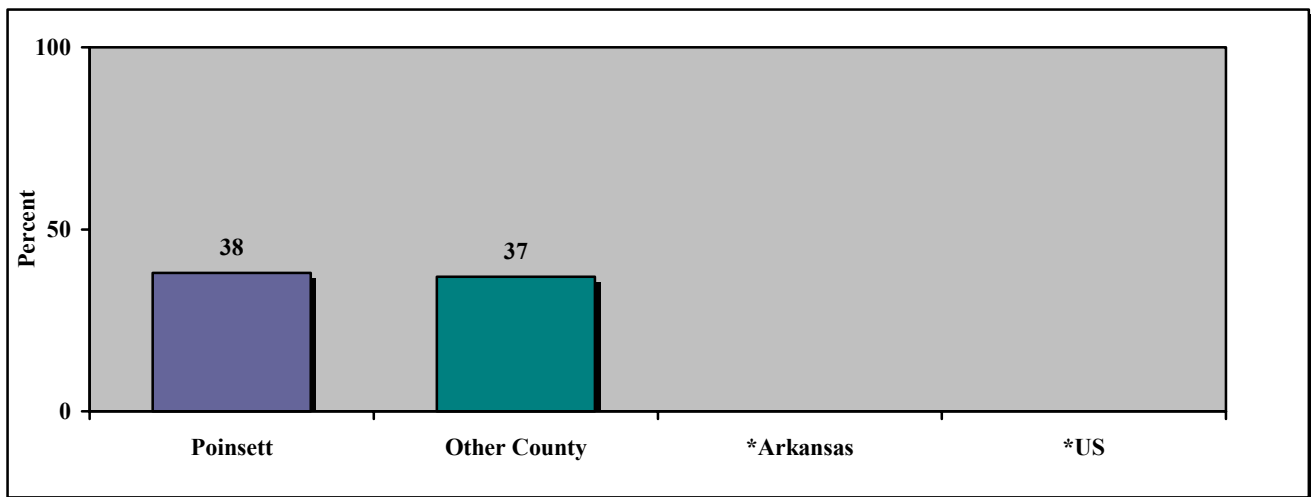
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on testing for blood cholesterol

- The prevalence of reported blood cholesterol not checked in the two years preceding the survey was higher among adults in Poinsett County (38%) than among adults in a neighboring county (37%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on testing for blood cholesterol



\*No comparison data available

## Cholesterol (continued)

### Blood Cholesterol Level

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Blood cholesterol level**

Question: Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that your blood cholesterol is high?

At Risk: **Of those who reported that they had had a blood cholesterol test done**, those respondents who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Of those Poinsett County adults who reported that they had had a blood cholesterol test done, **forty-one percent (41%)** reported a high cholesterol diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional.
- Of those Poinsett County adults who reported that they had had a blood cholesterol test done, the prevalence of reported high blood cholesterol diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional was **twenty percent (20%)** among respondents aged 18-39 years, **forty-eight percent (48%)** among respondents aged 40-64 years, and **fifty-three percent (53%)** among respondents 65 years and older (Table 2 and Figure 4).
- Of those Poinsett County adults who reported that they had had a blood cholesterol test done, the prevalence of reported high blood cholesterol diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional was **forty-five percent (45%)** among respondents with less than a high school education, **forty-two percent (42%)** among those respondents with a high school education, and **thirty-three percent (33%)** among those with a college education (Table 2 and Figure 4).
- Of those Poinsett County adults who reported that they had had a blood cholesterol test done, the prevalence of reported high blood cholesterol diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional was **fifty-two percent (52%)** among those respondents with an annual household income of under \$20,000, **forty-one percent (41%)** among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000- \$50,000, and **thirty-two percent (32%)** among those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (Table 2 and Figure 4).

## Cholesterol (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Blood cholesterol level

Of those Poinsett County adults who reported that they had had a blood cholesterol test done, respondents who reported a high blood cholesterol diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional.

Table 2: Blood cholesterol level

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	20	<HS Education	45	<\$20,000	52
40-64	48	HS Grad.	42	\$20,000-\$50,000	41
65+	53	College Grad.	33	>\$50,000	32

Figure 4: Blood cholesterol level

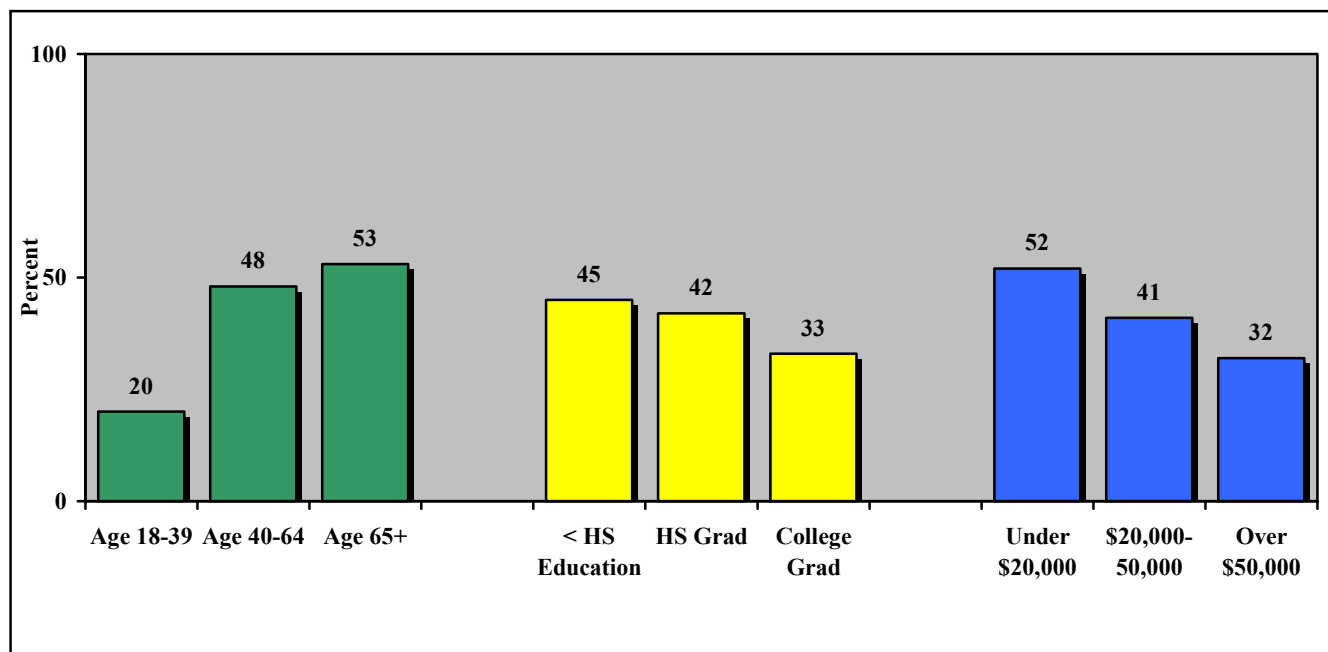
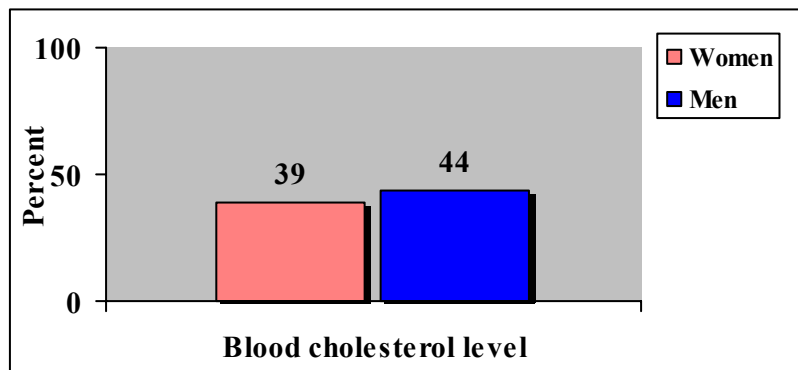


Figure 5: Blood cholesterol level, by gender

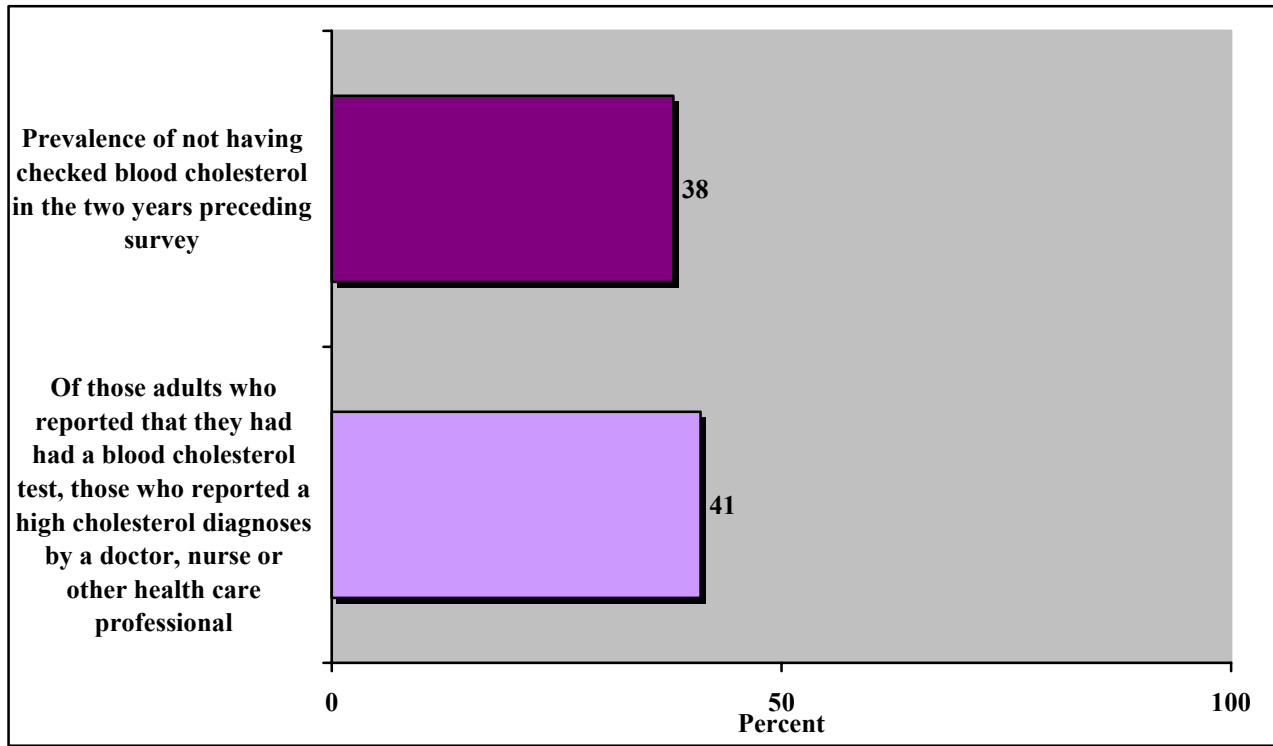


Of those adult women and men in Poinsett County who reported that they had had a blood cholesterol test done, the prevalence of reported high blood cholesterol diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional was **thirty-nine percent (39%)** among **adult women**, and **forty-four percent (44%)** among **adult men** in Poinsett County (Figure 5).

## Cholesterol (continued)

### Summary

Figure 6: Summary – Blood cholesterol testing and level

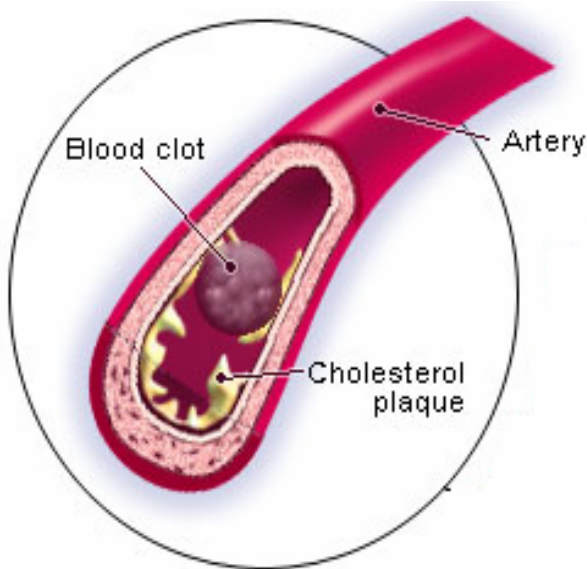




## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence

A heart attack occurs when blood flow to a section of heart muscle becomes blocked. If the flow of blood isn't restored quickly, the section of heart muscle becomes damaged from lack of oxygen and begins to die. Heart attack is a leading killer of both men and women in the United States.<sup>3</sup>

### Myocardial infarction

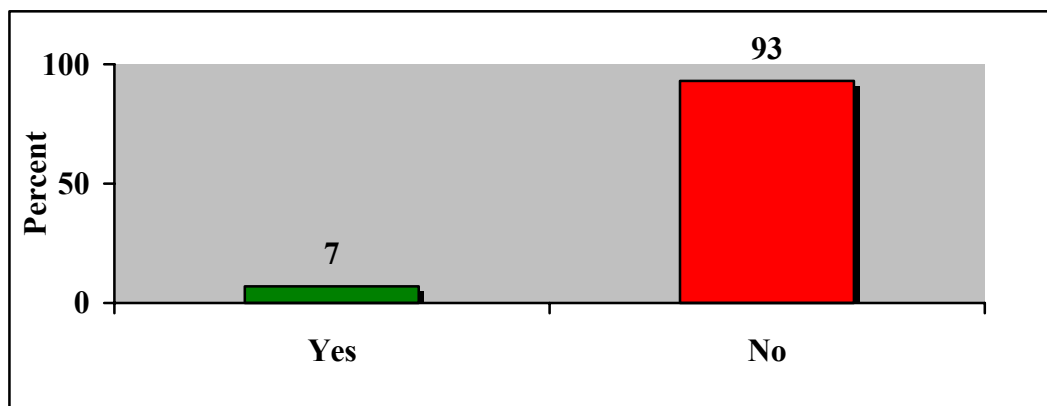


**Question: Has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional ever told you that you had a heart attack, also known as a myocardial infarction?**

- **Seven percent (7%)** of adults in Poinsett County reported that they had been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that they had had a myocardial infarction (Figure 1).
- **Ninety-three percent (93%)** of adults in Poinsett County reported that they had not been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that they had had a myocardial infarction (Figure 1).

Source: MedicineNet.com, 2004

**Figure 1:** Reported prevalence of myocardial infarction



<sup>3</sup> [http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/dci/Diseases/HeartAttack/HeartAttack\\_WhatIs.html](http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/dci/Diseases/HeartAttack/HeartAttack_WhatIs.html)

## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

### Myocardial Infarction

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Ever had a myocardial infarction**

Question: Has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional ever told you that you had a heart attack, also known as a myocardial infarction?

At Risk: Those who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- The prevalence of reported myocardial infarction diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was lower among those respondents aged 18-39 years (1%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (9%), and respondents 65 years and older (15%) (Table 1 and Figure 2).
- There prevalence of reported myocardial infarction diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (9%) than among respondents with a high school education (6%), and respondents with a college education (6%) (Table 1 and Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported myocardial infarction diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (14%) than among respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (6%), and those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (3%) (Table 1 and Figure 2).

## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Myocardial infarction

Respondents who reported that they had been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that they had had a myocardial infarction.

Table 1: Myocardial infarction

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	1	<HS Education	9	<\$20,000	14
40-64	9	HS Grad.	6	\$20,000-\$50,000	6
65+	15	College Grad.	6	>\$50,000	3

Figure 2: Myocardial infarction

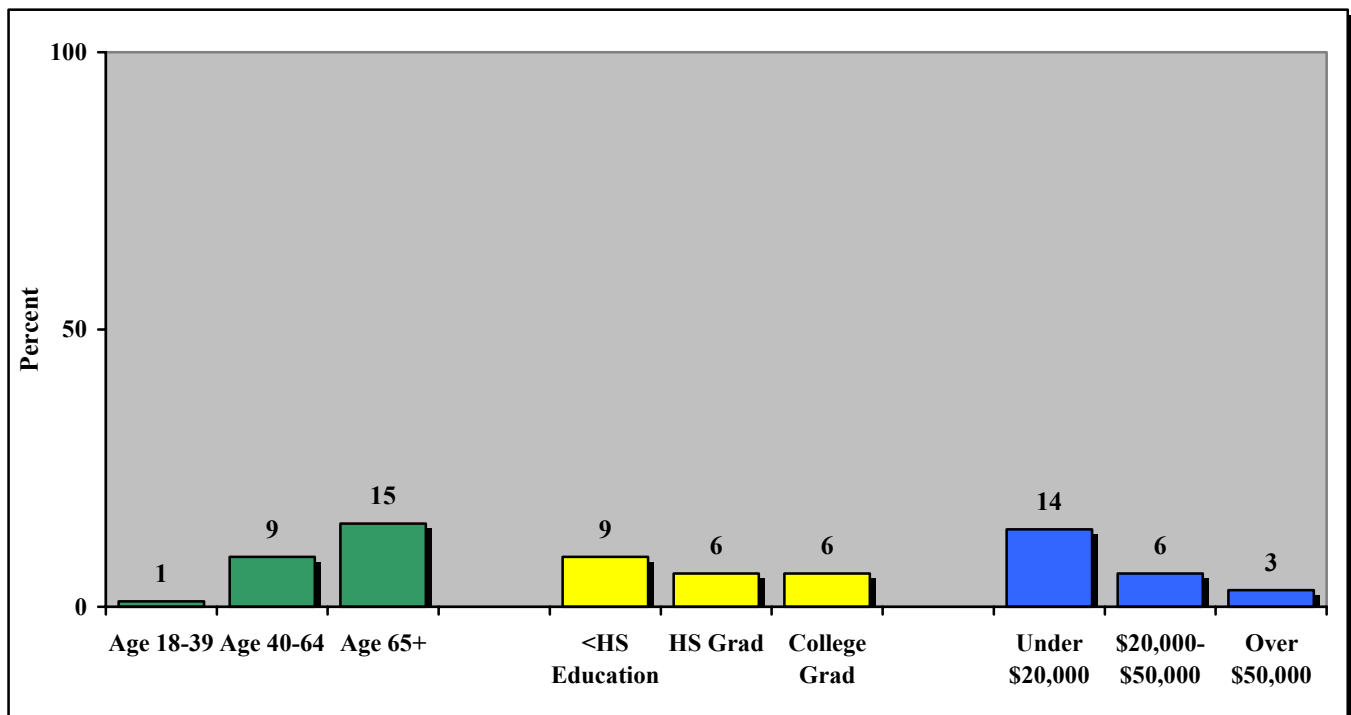
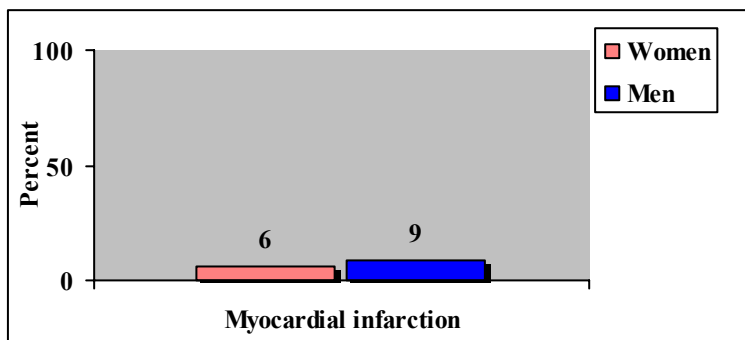


Figure 3: Myocardial infarction, by gender



The reported prevalence of myocardial infarction diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was **lower** among **adult women (6%)** than among **adult men (9%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 3).

## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

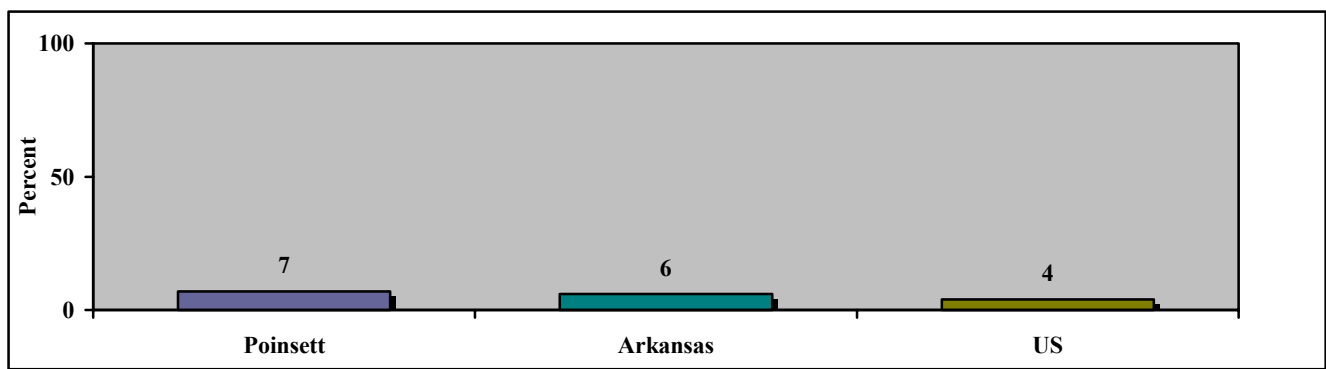
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on myocardial infarction

- The prevalence of reported myocardial infarction diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among adults in Poinsett County (7%) than among adults in the state (6%), and nation (4%) (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Comparing reported findings on myocardial infarction diagnosis by doctor, nurse or other health professional



## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

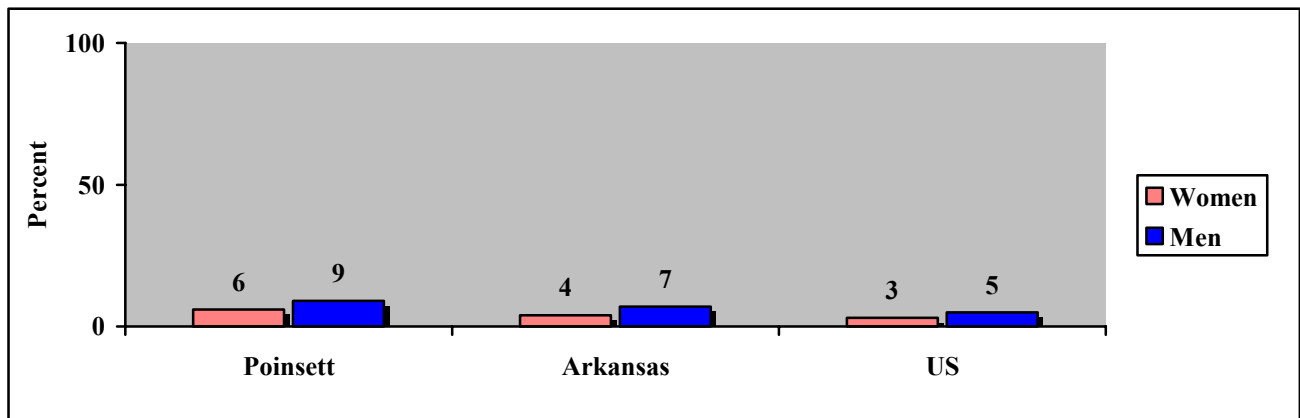
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on myocardial infarction, by gender

- The prevalence of reported myocardial infarction diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (6%) than among adult women in the state (4%), and adult women in the nation (3%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported myocardial infarction diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (9%) than among adult men in the state (7%), and nation (5%) (Figure 3).

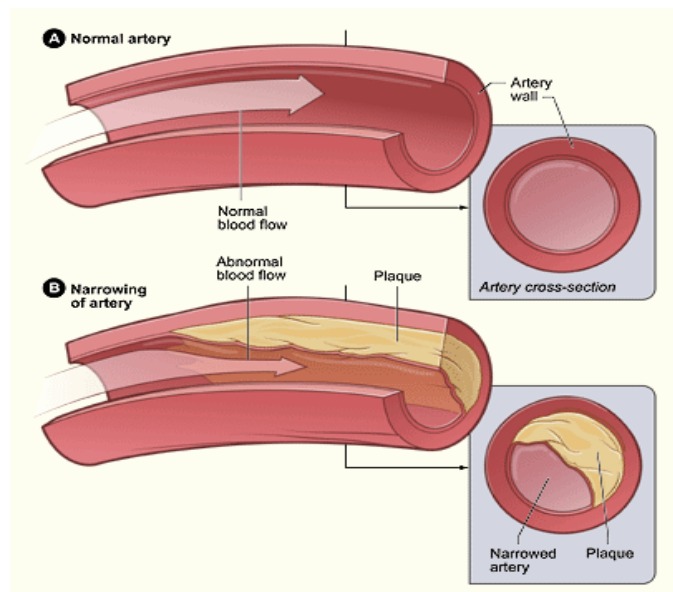
Figure 5: Comparing reported findings myocardial infarction diagnosis by doctor, nurse or other health professional, by gender



## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

Angina is chest pain or discomfort that occurs when an area of your heart muscle doesn't get enough oxygen-rich blood. Angina may feel like pressure or squeezing in your chest. The pain also may occur in your shoulders, arms, neck, jaw, or back. It can feel like indigestion. Angina is a symptom of coronary artery disease (CAD), the most common type of heart disease. CAD occurs when a fatty material called plaque builds up on the inner walls of the coronary arteries.<sup>4</sup>

### Angina or coronary heart disease

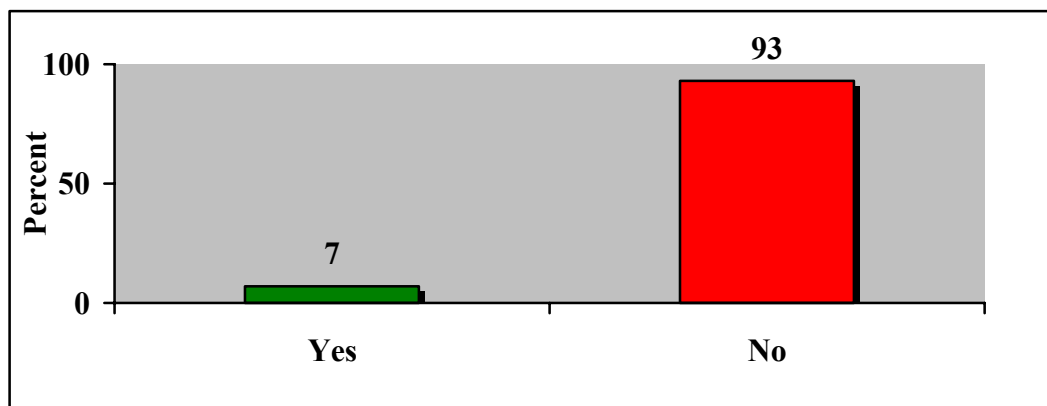


**Question: Has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional ever told you that you had angina or coronary heart disease?**

- **Seven percent (7%)** of adults in Poinsett County reported that they had been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that they had angina or coronary heart disease (Figure 6).
- **Ninety-three percent (93%)** of adults in Poinsett County reported that they had not been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that they had angina or coronary heart disease (Figure 6).

Source: NIH, 2007

Figure 6: Reported prevalence of angina or coronary heart disease



<sup>4</sup> [http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/dci/Diseases/Angina/Angina\\_WhatIs.html](http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/dci/Diseases/Angina/Angina_WhatIs.html)

## **Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence** (continued)

### **Angina or Coronary Heart Disease**

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Ever had angina or coronary heart disease**

Question: Has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional ever told you that you had angina or coronary heart disease?

At Risk: Those who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- The prevalence of reported angina or coronary heart disease diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was lower among those respondents aged 18-39 years (2%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (9%), and respondents 65 years and older (13%) (Table 2 and Figure 7).
- There prevalence of reported angina or coronary heart disease diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (8%) than among respondents with a high school education (6%), and respondents with a college education (7%) (Table 2 and Figure 7).
- The prevalence of reported angina or coronary heart disease diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (10%) than among respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (6%), and those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (4%) (Table 2 and Figure 7).

## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Angina or coronary heart disease

Respondents who reported that they had been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that they had angina or coronary heart disease.

Table 2: Angina or coronary heart disease

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	2	<HS Education	8	<\$20,000	10
40-64	9	HS Grad.	6	\$20,000-\$50,000	6
65+	13	College Grad.	7	>\$50,000	4

Figure 7: Angina or coronary heart disease

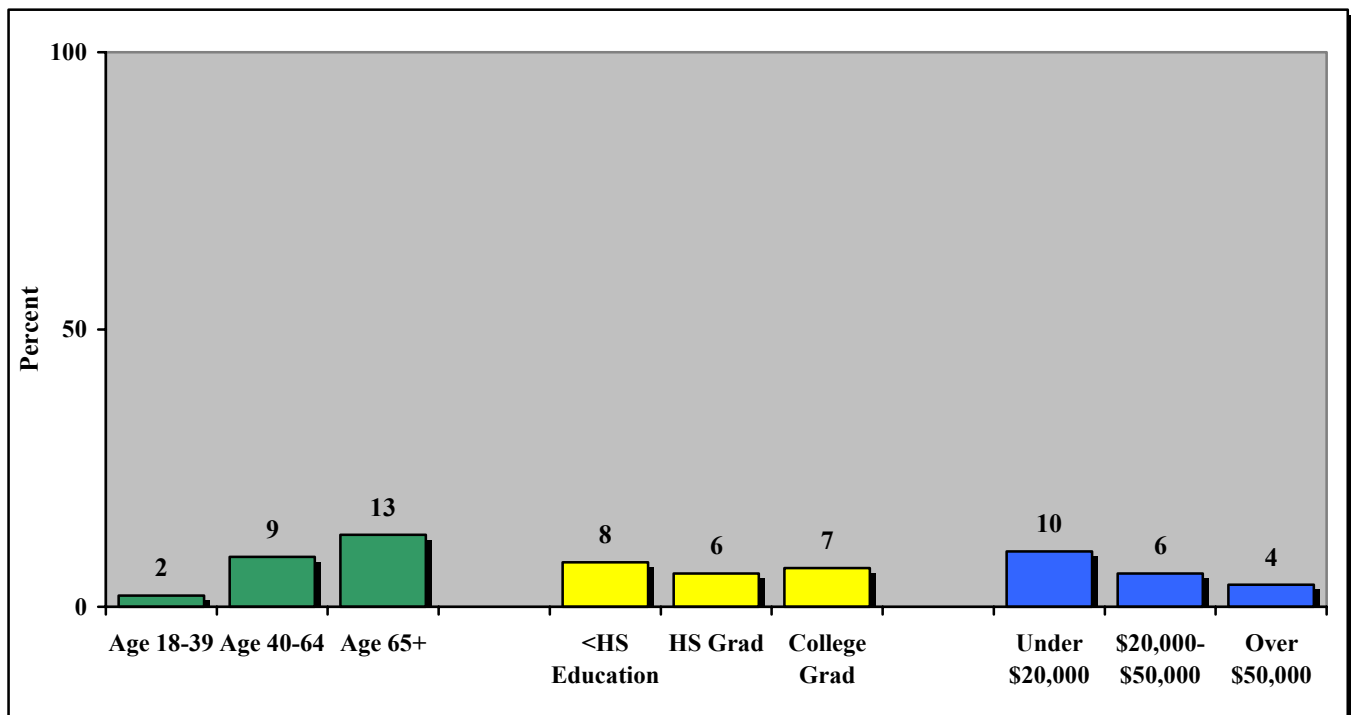
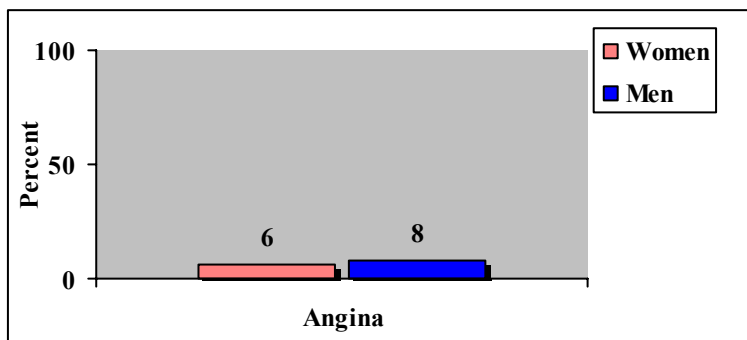


Figure 8: Angina or coronary heart disease, by gender



The reported prevalence of angina or coronary heart disease diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was **lower** among **adult women (6%)** than among **adult men (8%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 8).



## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

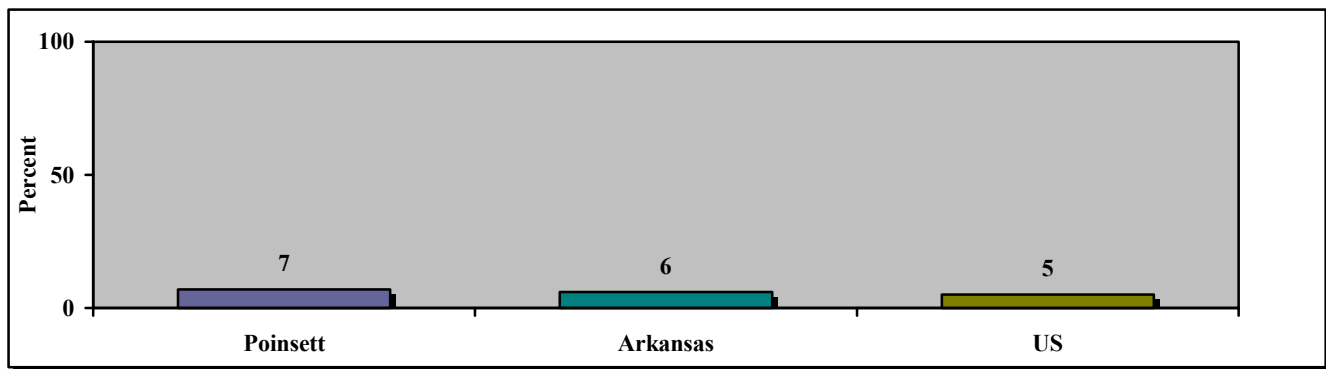
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on angina or coronary heart disease

- The prevalence of reported angina or coronary heart disease diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among adults in Poinsett County (7%) than among adults in the state (6%), and nation (5%) (Figure 9).

Figure 9: Comparing reported findings on angina or coronary heart disease diagnosis by doctor, nurse or other health professional



## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

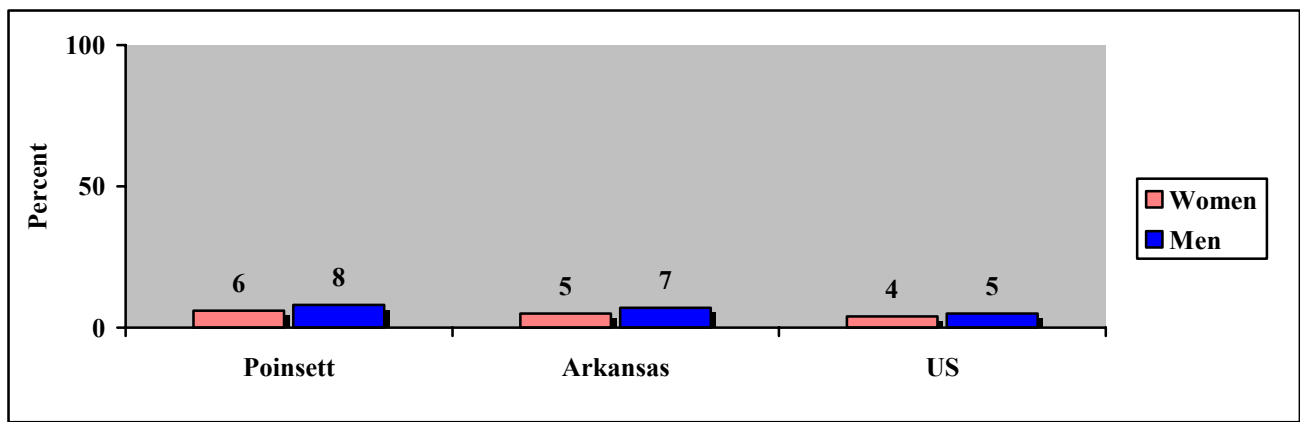
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on angina or coronary heart disease, by gender

- The prevalence of reported angina or coronary heart disease diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (6%) than among adult women in the state (5%), and adult women in the nation (4%) (Figure 10).
- The prevalence of reported angina or coronary heart disease diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (8%) than among adult men in the state (7%), and nation (5%) (Figure 10).

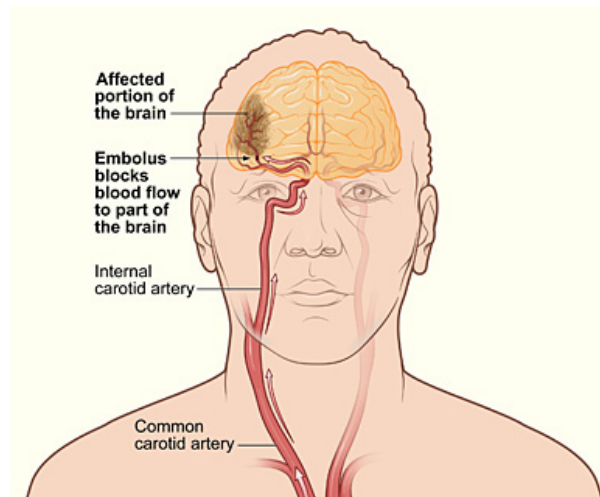
Figure 10: Comparing reported findings on angina or coronary heart disease diagnosis by doctor, nurse or other health professional, by gender



## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

A stroke is when blood flow to the brain is interrupted. When a stroke occurs, brain cells in the immediate area begin to die because they stop getting the oxygen and nutrients they need to function. There are two major kinds of stroke. The first, called an ischemic stroke, is caused by a blood clot that blocks or plugs a blood vessel or artery in the brain. About 80 percent of all strokes are ischemic. The second, known as a hemorrhagic stroke, is caused by a blood vessel in the brain that breaks and bleeds into the brain. About 20 percent of strokes are hemorrhagic.<sup>5</sup>

### Stroke



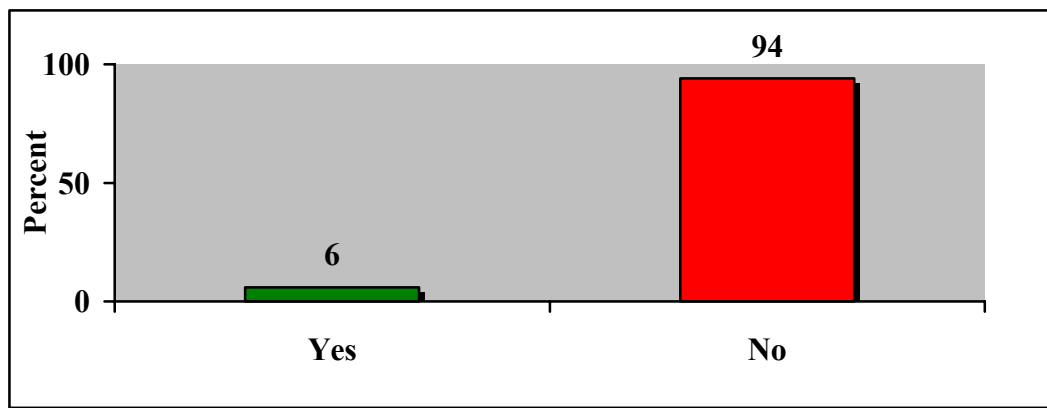
**Question: Has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional ever told you that you had a stroke?**

- **Six percent (6%)** of adults in Poinsett County reported that they had been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that they had had a stroke (Figure 11).
- **Ninety-four percent (94%)** of adults in Poinsett County reported that they had not been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that they had had a stroke (Figure 11).

**Know the symptoms<sup>5</sup>**



**Figure 11:** Reported prevalence of stroke



<sup>5</sup> <http://www.ninds.nih.gov/disorders/stroke/knowstroke.htm#whatis>

## **Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence** (continued)

### **Stroke**

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Ever had a stroke**

Question: Has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional ever told you that you had a stroke?

At Risk: Those who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- The prevalence of reported stroke diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was lower among those respondents aged 18-39 years (0%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (7%), and respondents 65 years and older (15%) (Table 3 and Figure 12).
- There prevalence of reported stroke diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (11%) than among respondents with a high school education (4%), and respondents with a college education (4%) (Table 3 and Figure 12).
- The prevalence of reported stroke diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (12%) than among respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (3%), and those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (2%) (Table 3 and Figure 12).

## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Stroke

Respondents who reported that they had been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that they had had a stroke.

Table 3: Stroke

Age	(%)	Education	(%)	Income	(%)
18-39	0	<HS Education	11	<\$20,000	12
40-64	7	HS Grad.	4	\$20,000-\$50,000	3
65+	15	College Grad.	4	>\$50,000	2

Figure 12: Stroke

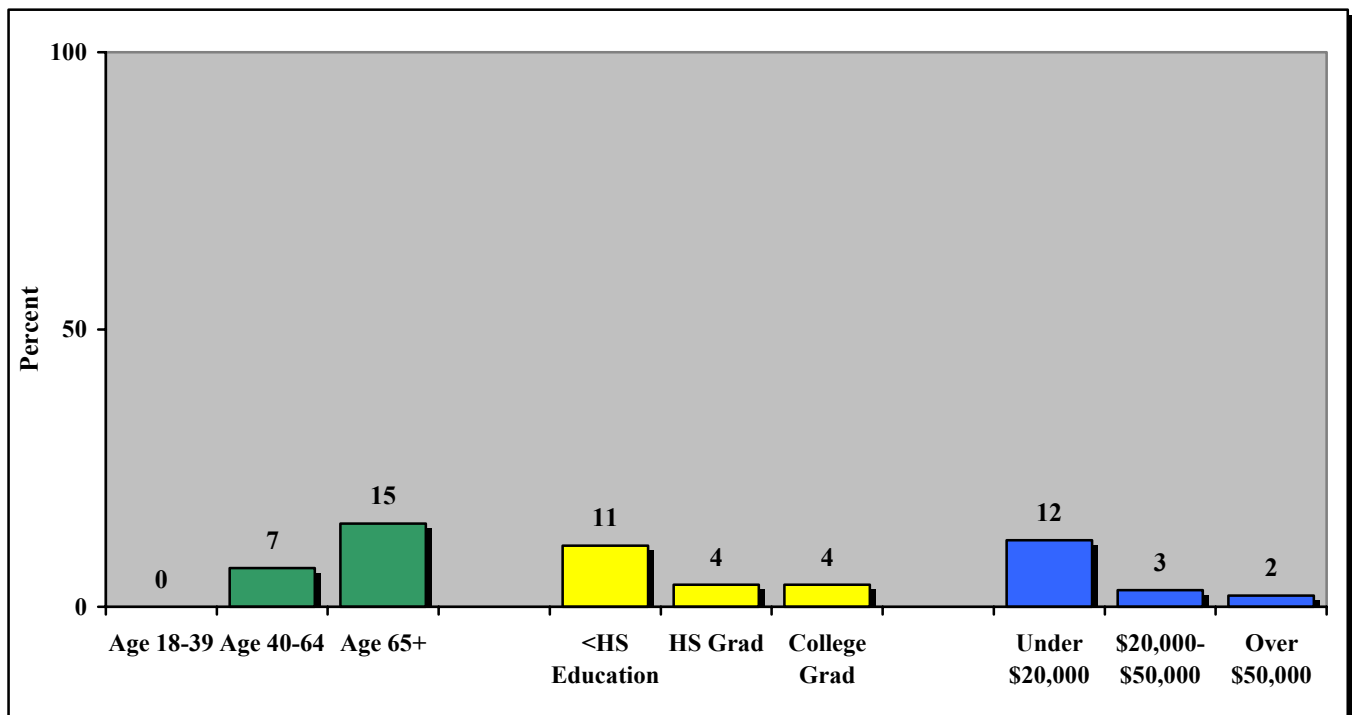
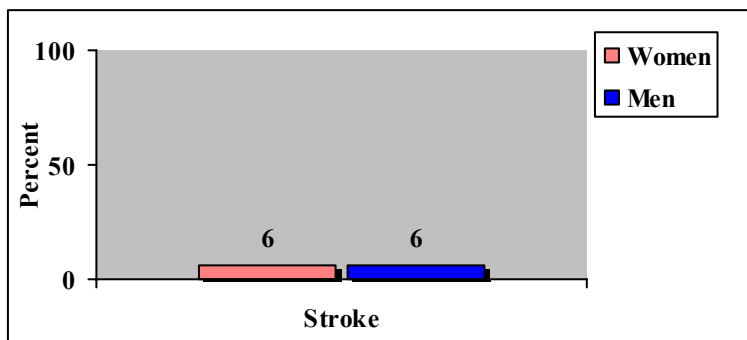


Figure 13: Stroke, by gender



The reported prevalence of stroke diagnosed by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was **equal** among **adult women (6%)** and **adult men (6%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 13).

## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

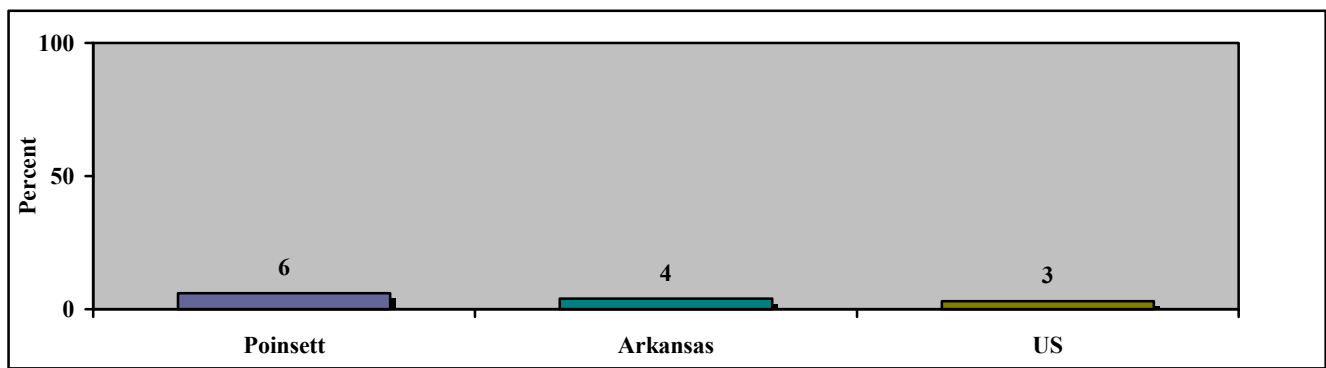
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on stroke

- The prevalence of reported stroke diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among adults in Poinsett County (6%) than among adults in the state (4%), and nation (3%) (Figure 14).

Figure 14: Comparing reported findings on stroke diagnosis by doctor, nurse or other health professional



## Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence (continued)

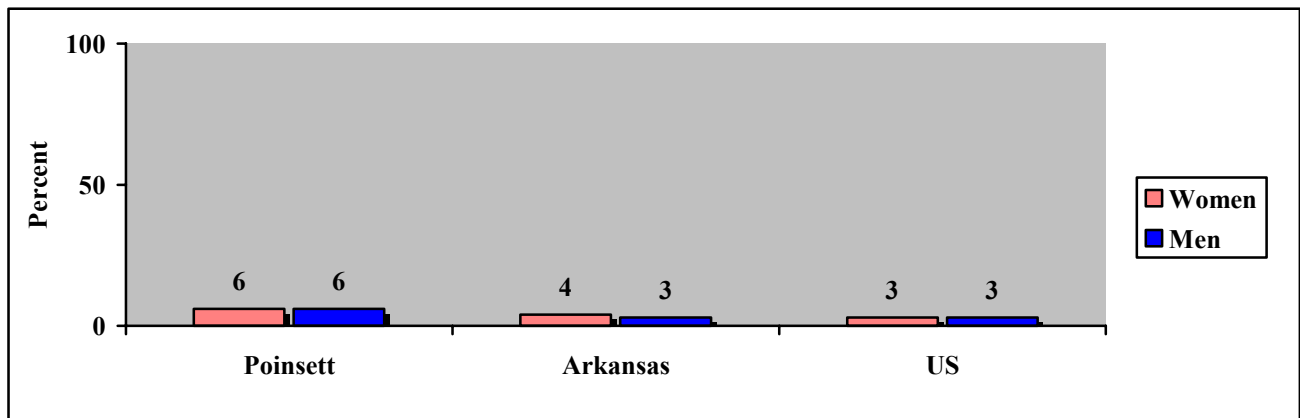
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on stroke, by gender

- The prevalence of reported stroke diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (6%) than among adult women in the state (4%), and adult women in the nation (3%) (Figure 15).
- The prevalence of reported stroke diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (6%) than among adult men in the state (3%), and nation (3%) (Figure 15).

Figure 15: Comparing reported findings on stroke diagnosis by doctor, nurse or other health professional, by gender



## Asthma

Asthma is a chronic inflammatory disease of the airways that is characterized by wheezing, breathlessness, chest tightness, and coughing. Asthma is a serious and growing health problem. Severe asthma attacks often result in hospitalizations or emergency department visits.

### **Risk Factor Definition: Have asthma**

Question: Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that you had asthma?

At Risk: Those who said “yes” are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Eleven percent (11%) of adults in Poinsett County reported an asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional.
- The prevalence of reported asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional was equal among respondents aged 18-39 years (11%) and respondents aged 40-64 years (11%); and lower than among respondents 65 years and older (12%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (15%) than among those respondents with a high school education (10%), and those with a college education (8%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (17%) than among those respondents with respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (10%), and respondents with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (6%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).





## Asthma (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Have asthma

Respondents who reported an asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional.

Table 1: Asthma

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	11	<HS Education	15	<\$20,000	17
40-64	11	HS Grad.	10	\$20,000-\$50,000	10
65+	12	College Grad.	8	>\$50,000	6

Figure 1: Asthma

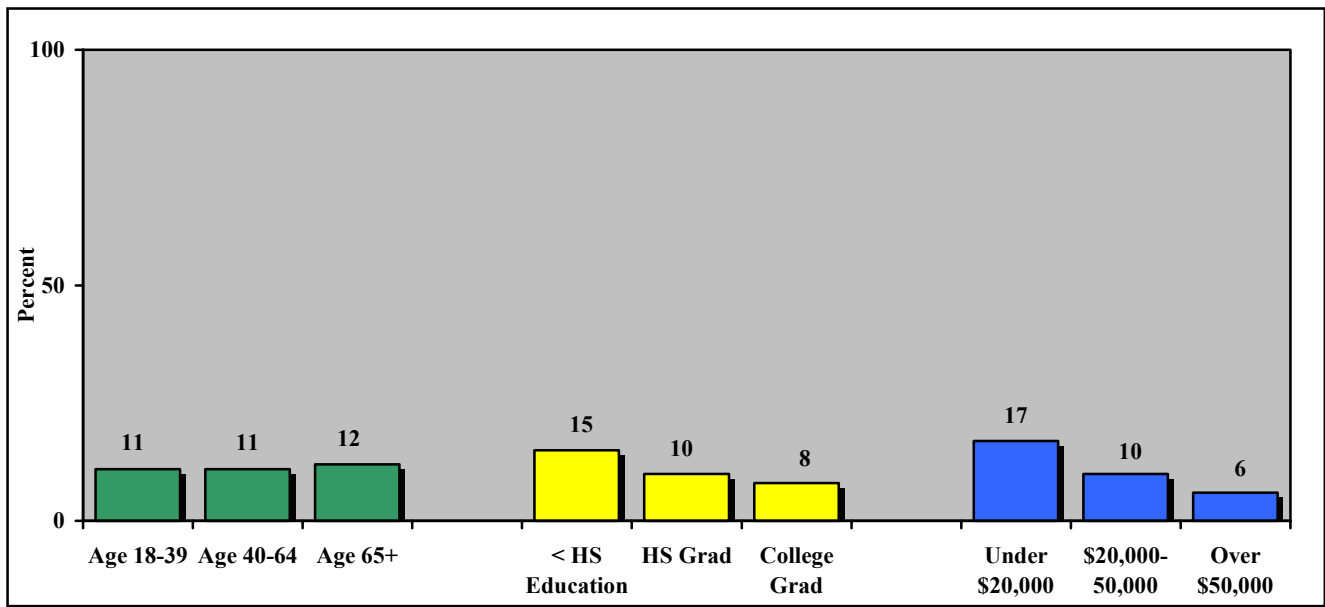
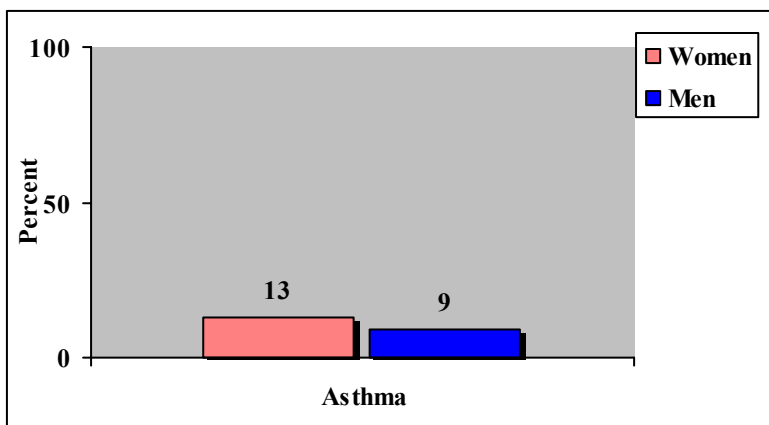


Figure 2: Asthma, by gender



The prevalence of reported asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional was **higher** among **adult women (13%)** than among **adult men (9%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 2).

## Asthma (continued)

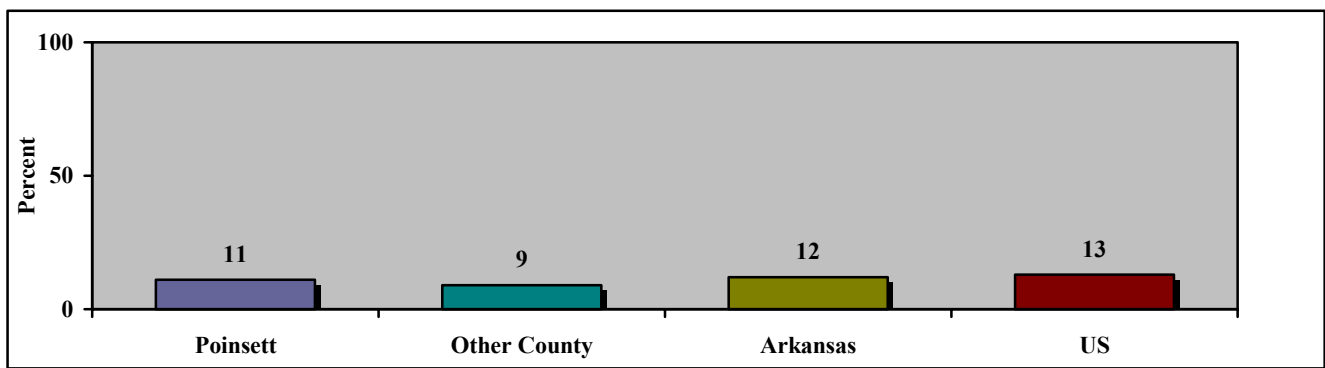
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on asthma

- The prevalence of reported asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was higher among adults in Poinsett County (11%) than among adults in a neighboring county (9%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional was lower among adults in Poinsett County (11%) than among adults in the state (12%), and adults in the nation (13%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on asthma



## Asthma (continued)

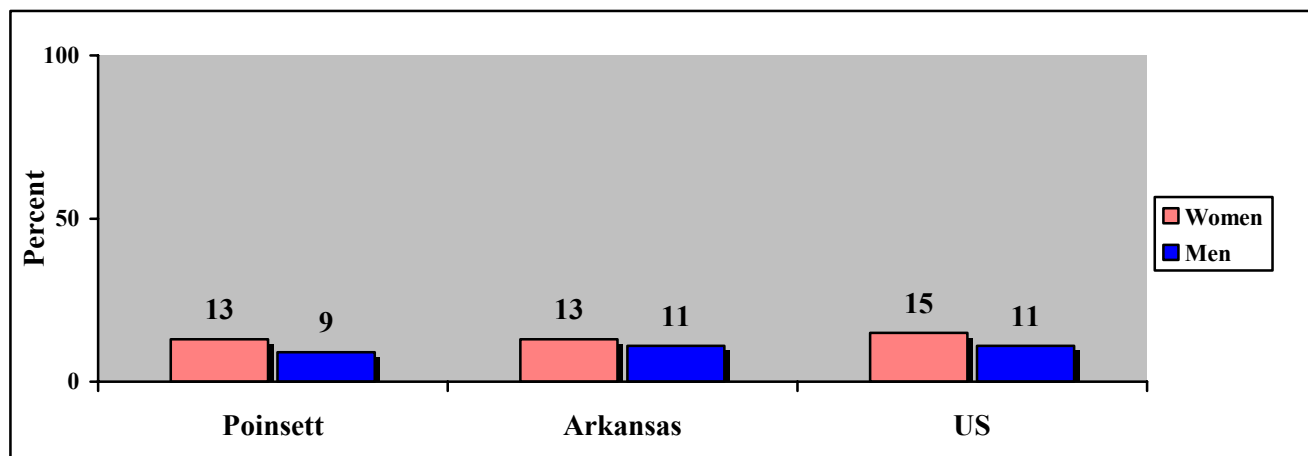
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on asthma, by gender

- The prevalence of reported asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health professional was equal among adult women in Poinsett County (13%) and among adult women in the state (13%); and lower than among adult women in the nation (15%) (Figure 4).
- The prevalence of reported asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse or other health profession was lower among adult men in Poinsett County (9%) than among adult men in the state (11%), and nation (11%) (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Comparing data on asthma, by gender



## Diabetes

Diabetes is a disease in which blood glucose levels are above normal. Diabetes can cause serious health complications including heart disease, blindness, kidney failure, and lower-extremity amputation.

### **Risk Factor Definition: Have diabetes**

Question: Have you ever been told by a doctor that you have diabetes?

At Risk: Those who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**



- Thirteen percent (13%) of Poinsett County adults reported a diabetes diagnosis by a doctor.
- The prevalence of reported diabetes diagnosis by a doctor was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (5%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (16%), and respondents 65 years and older (25%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported diabetes diagnosis by a doctor was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (18%) than among those respondents with a high school education (11%), and college education (13%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported diabetes diagnosis by a doctor was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (21%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (10%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (7%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

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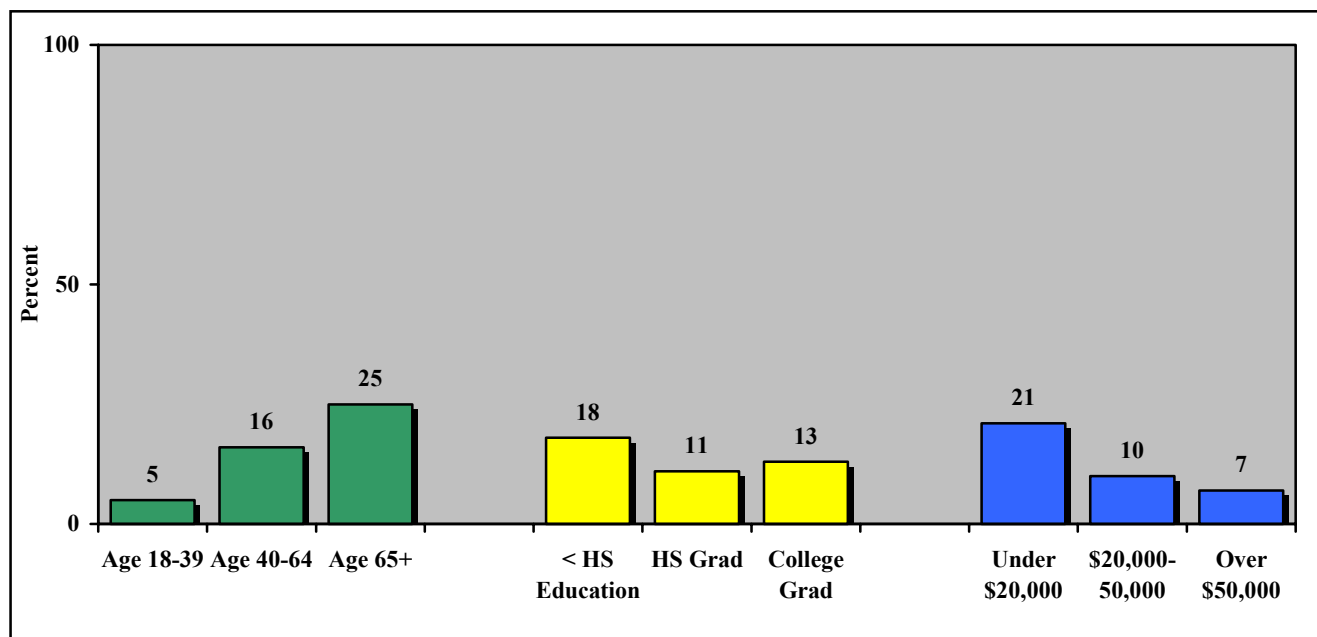
### **Risk Factor Definition: Have diabetes**

Respondents who reported a diabetes diagnosis by a doctor.

Table 1: Diabetes

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	5	<HS Education	18	<\$20,000	21
40-64	16	HS Grad.	11	\$20,000-\$50,000	10
65+	25	College Grad.	13	>\$50,000	7

Figure 1: Diabetes



## Diabetes (continued)

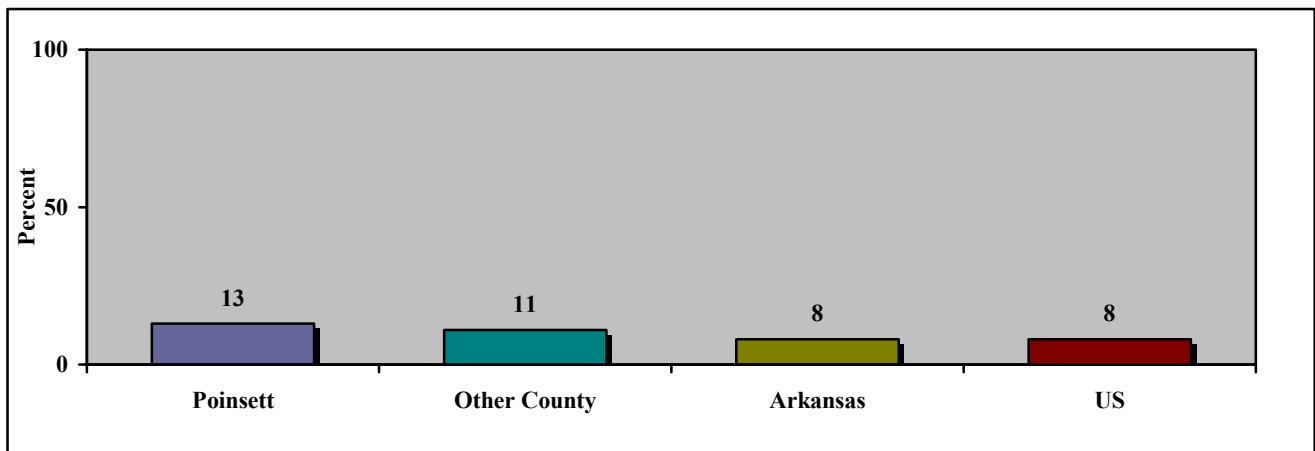
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on diabetes

- The prevalence of reported diabetes diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adults in Poinsett County (13%) than among adults in a neighboring county (11%).
- The prevalence of reported diabetes diagnosis by a doctor was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (13%) than among adults in the state (8%), and nation (8%) (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Comparing reported findings on diabetes



## Diabetes (continued)

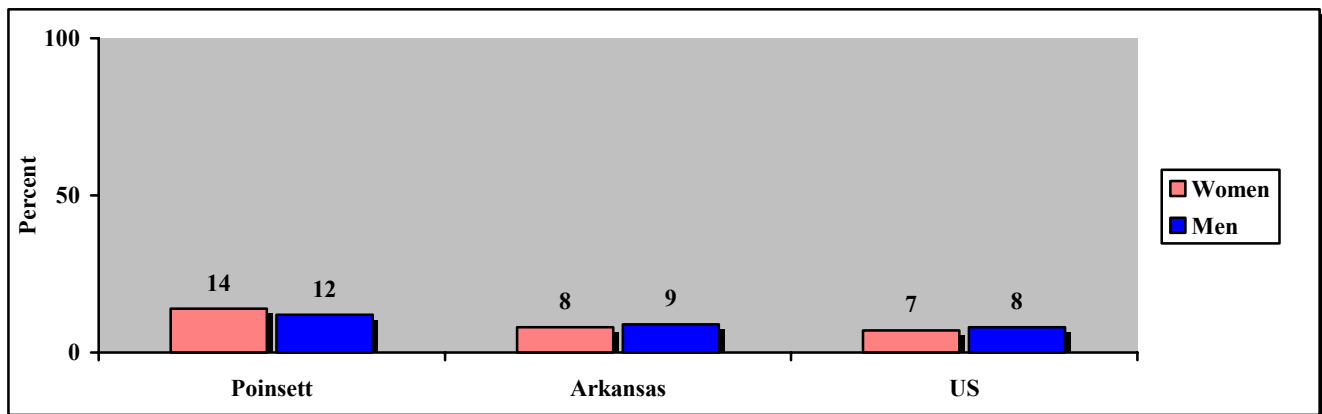
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing data on diabetes, by gender

- The prevalence of reported diabetes diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (14%) than among adult women in the state (8%), and adult women in the nation (7%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported diabetes diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (12%) than among adult men in the state (9%), and adult men in the nation (8%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on diabetes, by gender



# Arthritis

Arthritis is the leading cause of disability in the nation. Arthritis limits everyday activities and adversely affects physical and mental health. The term arthritis encompasses over 100 different conditions affecting the joints and muscles.

## Diagnosed with Arthritis

### **Risk Factor Definition: Have arthritis**

Question: Have you ever been told by a doctor that you have arthritis?

At Risk: Those who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**



- Thirty-two percent (32%) of Poinsett County adults reported an arthritis diagnosis by a doctor.
- The prevalence of reported arthritis diagnosis by a doctor was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (14%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (38%), and respondents 65 years and older (55%) than (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported arthritis diagnosis by a doctor was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (49%) than among those respondents with a high school education (26%), and college education (28%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported arthritis diagnosis by a doctor was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (51%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (25%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (19%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).



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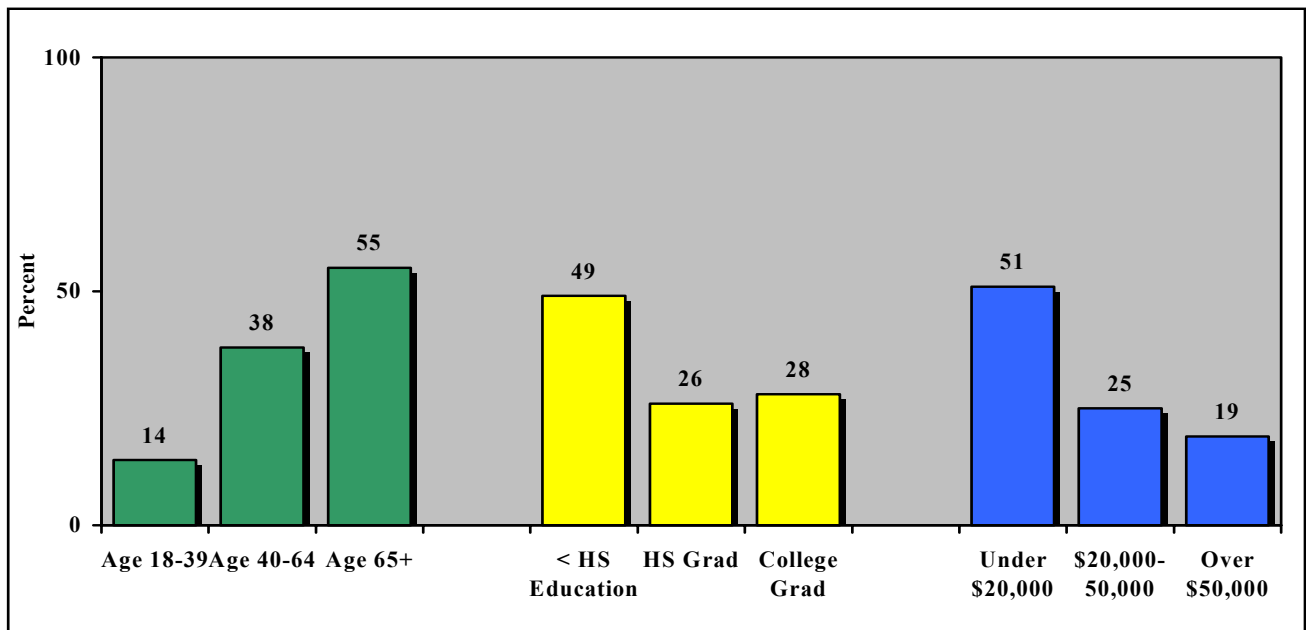
### **Risk Factor Definition: Have arthritis**

Respondents who reported an arthritis diagnosis by a doctor.

Table 1: Arthritis

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	14	<HS Education	49	<\$20,000	51
40-64	38	HS Grad.	26	\$20,000-\$50,000	25
65+	55	College Grad.	28	\$50,000	19

Figure 1: Arthritis



## Arthritis (continued)

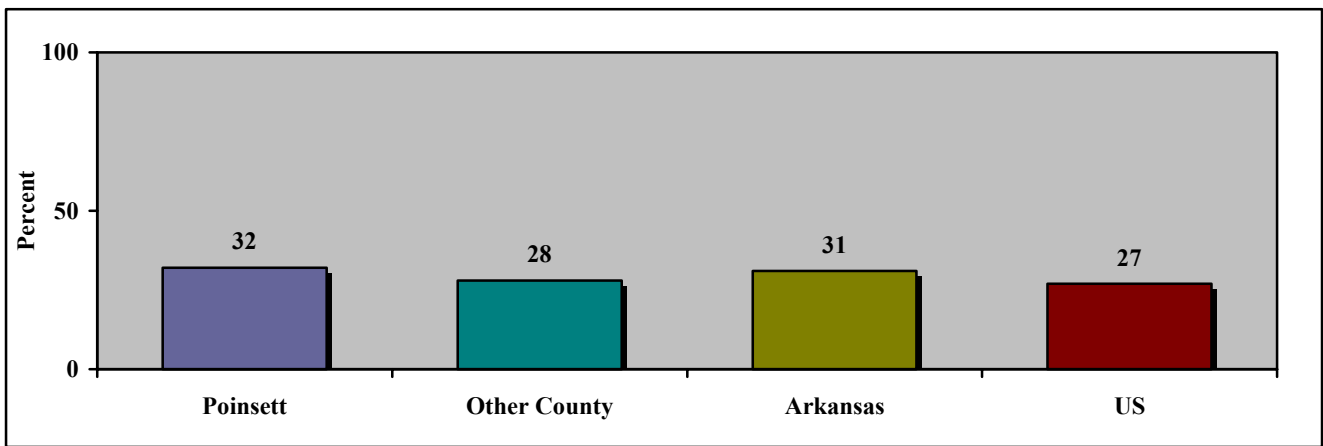
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on arthritis

- The prevalence of reported arthritis diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adults in Poinsett County (32%) than among adults in a neighboring county (28%) (Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported arthritis diagnosis by a doctor was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (32%) than among adults in the state (31%) and nation (27%) (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Comparing reported findings on arthritis



## Arthritis (continued)

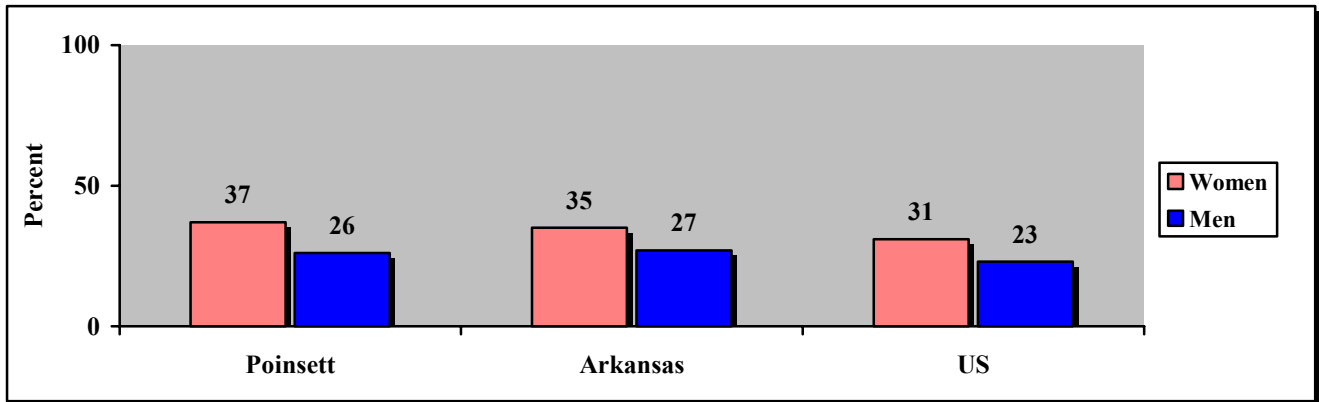
### **How does Poinsett County compare?**

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### **Comparing reported findings on arthritis, by gender**

- The prevalence of reported arthritis diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (37%) than among adult women in the state (35%), and adult women in the nation (31%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported arthritis diagnosis by a doctor was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (32%) than among adult men in the state (27%), and adult men in the nation (23%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on arthritis, by gender



## Arthritis (continued)

### Activity Limitations

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Have activity limitations due to joint symptoms**

Question: Are you now limited in any way in any activities because of joint symptoms?

At Risk: Those who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Forty-three percent (43%) of Poinsett County adults reported a limitation in activities due to joint symptoms.
- The prevalence of reported limitation in activities due to joint symptoms was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (38%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (47%), and respondents 65 years and older (42%) (Table 2 and Figure 4).
- The prevalence of reported limitation in activities due to joint symptoms was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (51%) than among those respondents with a high school education (41%), and college education (38%) (Table 2 and Figure 4).
- The prevalence of reported limitation due to joint symptoms was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (66%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (33%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (28%) (Table 2 and Figure 4).

## Arthritis (continued)

### **Risk Factor Definition: Have activity limitations due to joint symptoms**

Respondents who reported a limitation in activities due to joint symptoms.

Table 2: Activity limitations

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	38	<HS Education	51	<\$20,000	66
40-64	47	HS Grad.	41	\$20,000-\$50,000	33
65+	42	College Grad.	38	>\$50,000	28

Figure 4: Activity limitations

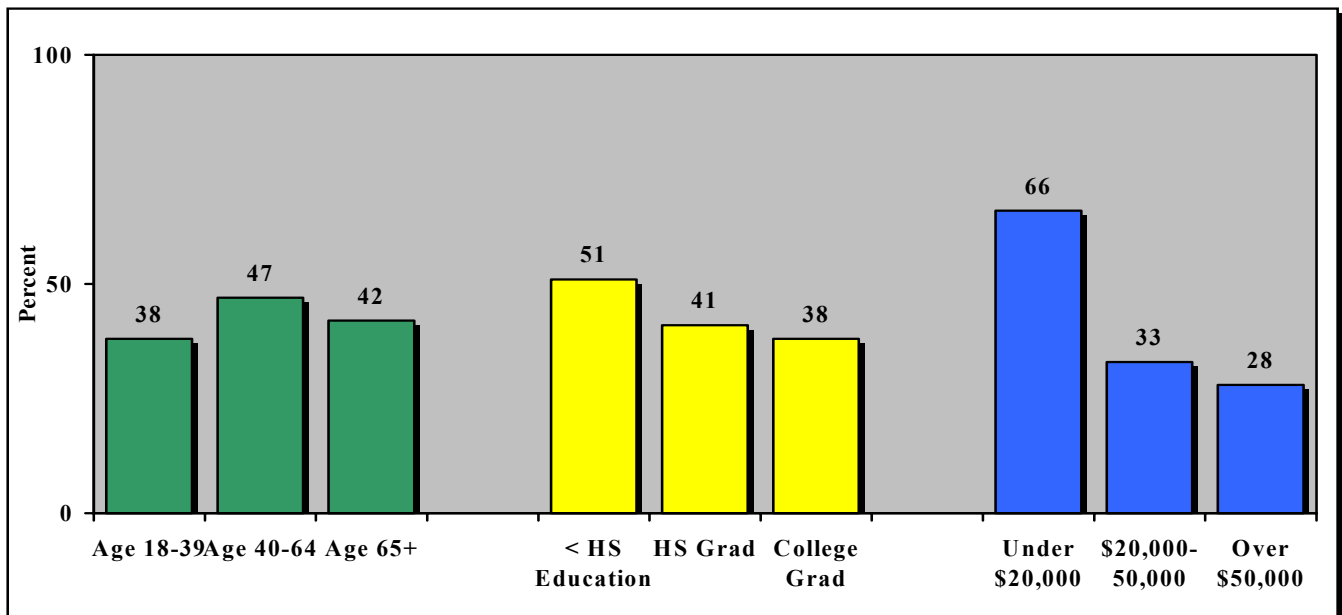
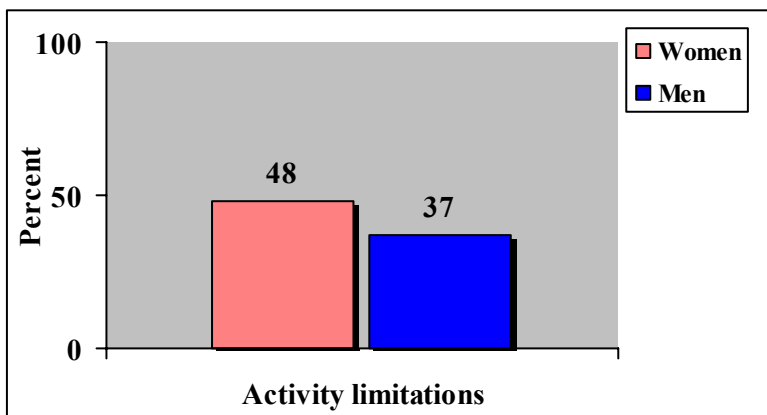


Figure 5: Activity limitations, by gender



The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to joint symptoms was **higher** among **adult women (48%)** than among **adult men (37%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 5).

## Arthritis (continued)

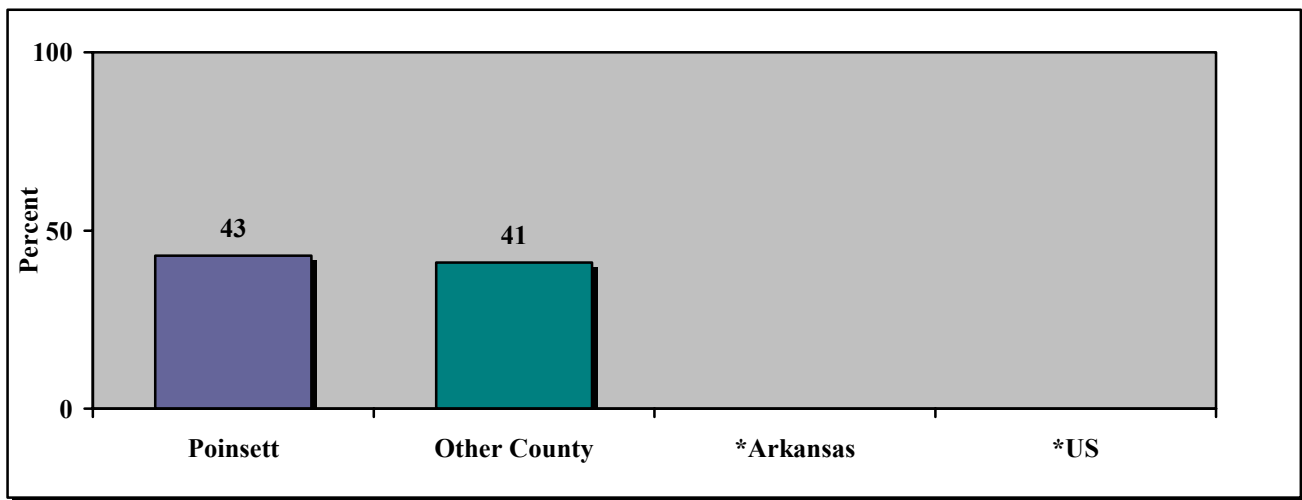
### **How does Poinsett County compare?**

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### **Comparing reported findings on activity limitations due to joint symptoms**

- The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to joint symptoms was higher among adults in Poinsett County (43%) than among adults in a neighboring county (41%) (Figure 6).

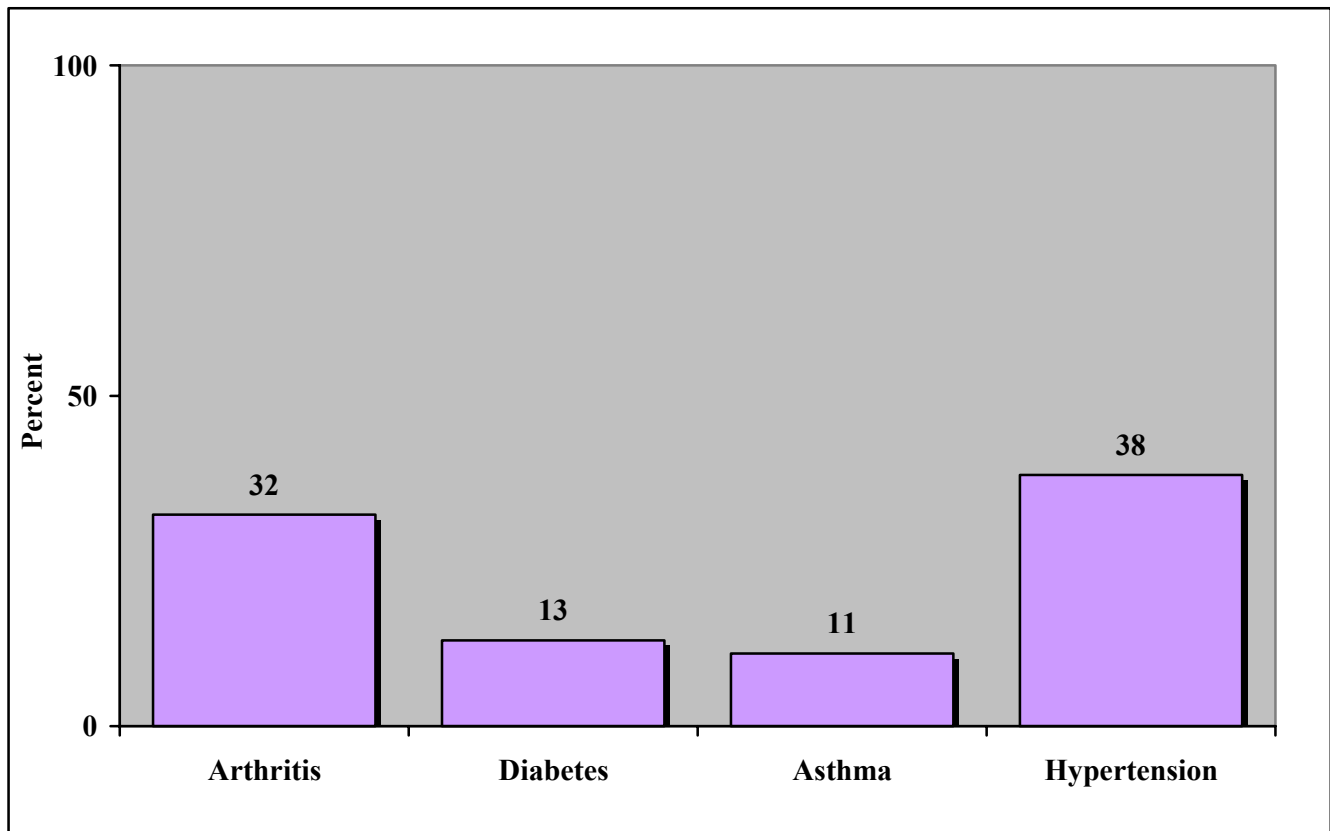
**Figure 6:** Comparing reported findings on activity limitations due to joint symptoms



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## Poinsett County - Summary of chronic conditions

Figure 1: Chronic conditions



## Colorectal Cancer Screening

Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of all cancer deaths in Arkansas according to the Arkansas Cancer Coalition. Some of the risk factors include age, family, history, physical inactivity, obesity and cigarette smoking.

Sigmoidoscopy and colonoscopy are exams in which a tube is inserted into the rectum to view the bowel for signs of cancer or other health problems.

### **Risk Factor Definition: Over age 50 years and never been screened**

Question: Have you ever had these exams?

At Risk: Those aged 50 years and older who answered “no” are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Fifty-five percent (55%) of Poinsett County adults over the age of 50 years reported they had never been screened for colorectal cancer.
- The prevalence of reported never been screened for colorectal cancer was higher among the respondents aged 50-64 years (63%) than among respondents 65 years and older (45%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported never been screened for colorectal cancer was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (60%) than among those respondents with a high school education (54%), and those with a college education (46%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported never been screen for colorectal cancer was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (61%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (57%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (46%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).



## Colorectal Cancer Screening (continued)

### **Risk Factor Definition: Over age 50 years and never been screened**

Respondents over the age of 50 years who reported they had never been screened for colorectal cancer.

Table 1: Never been screened for colorectal cancer screening

Age	(%)	Education	(%)	Income	(%)
18-49	N/A	<HS Education		<\$20,000	
50-64		HS Grad.		\$20,000-\$50,000	
65+		College Grad.		\$50,000	

Figure 1: Never been screened for colorectal cancer screening

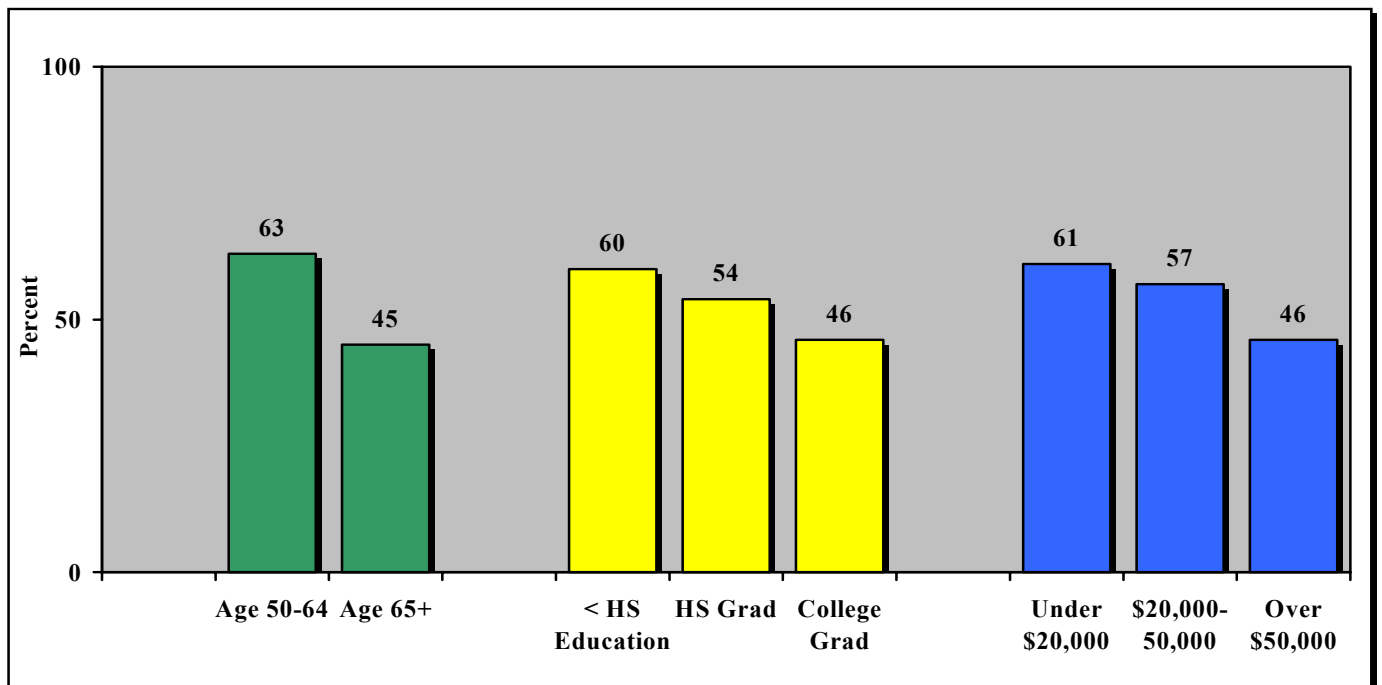
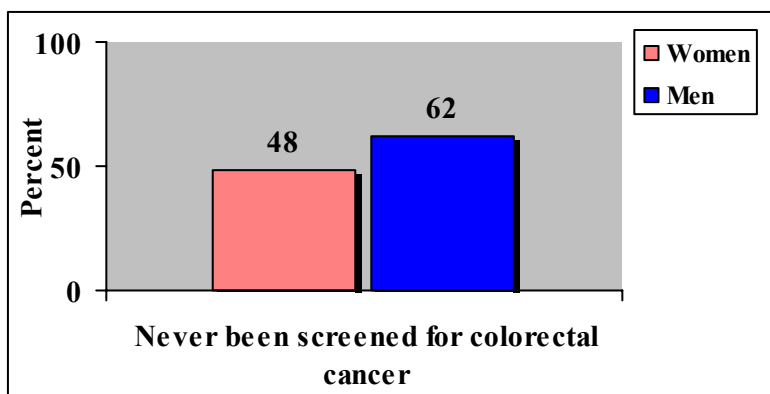


Figure 2: Never been screened for colorectal cancer screening, by gender



The prevalence of reported never been screened for colorectal cancer among respondents over 50 years of age was **lower** among **adult women (48%)** than among **adult men (62%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 2).

## Colorectal Cancer Screening (continued)

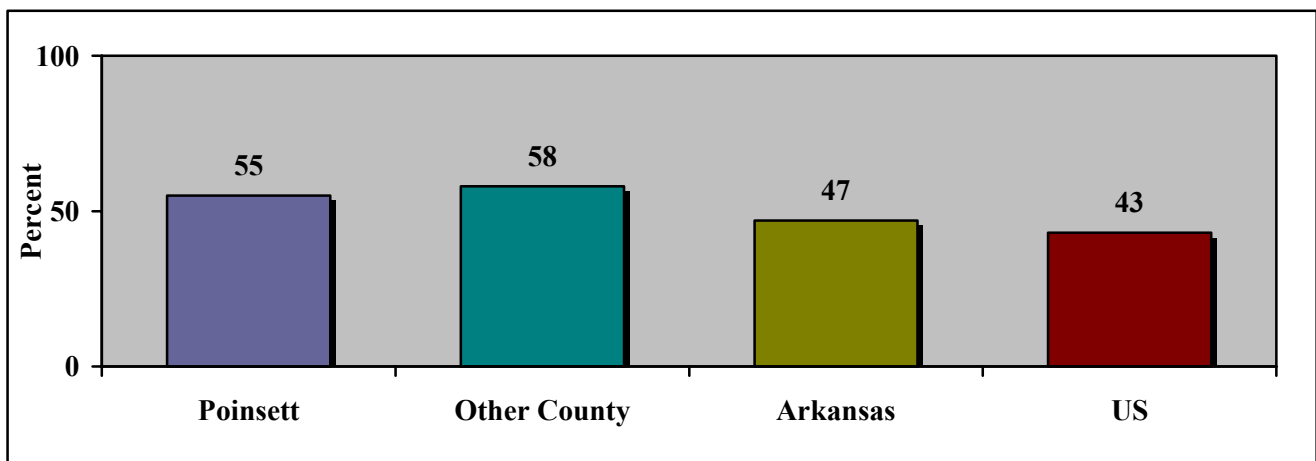
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on never been screened for colorectal cancer

- The prevalence of reported never been screened for colorectal cancer among respondents over 50 years of age was lower among adults in Poinsett County (55%) than among adults in a neighboring county (58%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported never been screened for colorectal cancer among respondents over 50 years of age was higher among adults in Poinsett County (55%) than among adults in the state (47%), and adults in the nation (43%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on never been screened for colorectal cancer



## Colorectal Cancer Screening (continued)

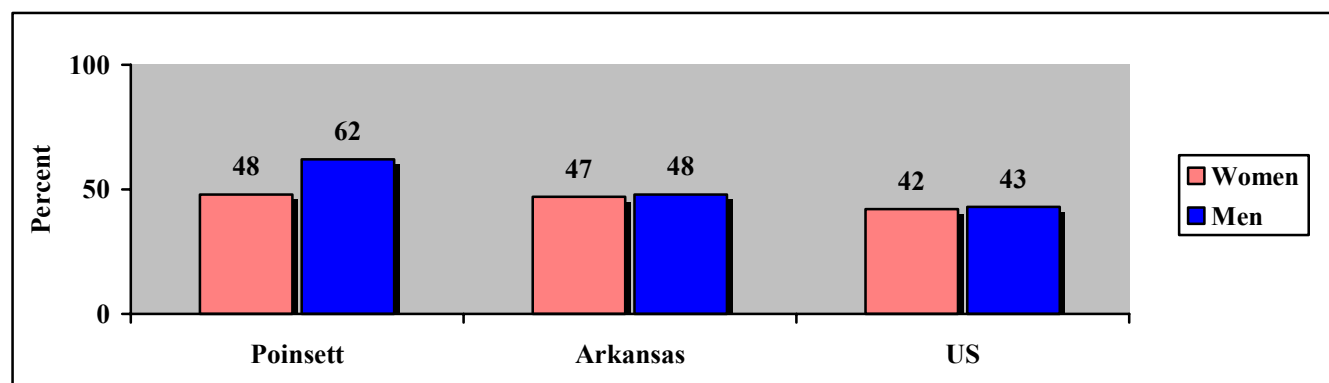
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on never been screened for colorectal cancer, by gender

- The prevalence of reported never been screened for colorectal cancer among respondents over 50 years of age was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (48%) than among adult women in the state (47%), and adult women in the nation (42%) (Figure 4).
- The prevalence of reported never been screened for colorectal cancer among respondents over 50 years of age was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (62%) than among adult men in the state (48%), and adult men in the nation (43%) (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Comparing reported findings on never been screened for colorectal cancer, by gender



## Prostate Cancer Screening

Prostate cancer is the most common form of cancer for men in Arkansas, aside from skin cancer. Age, race, family history, and diet may be risk factors for prostate cancer. Older men and African-American men are most at risk.

A Prostate-Specific Antigen test, also called a PSA test, is a blood test used to check men for prostate cancer. A digital rectal exam is an exam in which a doctor, nurse, or other health professional places a gloved finger into the rectum to feel the size, shape, and hardness of the prostate gland.

### **Risk Factor Definition: Male, over age 40 years, and not screened within the past year**

Question: Have you ever had these exams?

At Risk: Those aged 40 years and older who answered “no” are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Fifty-one percent (51%) of Poinsett County males over age 40 reported they had not been screened for prostate cancer in the year preceding the survey.
- The prevalence of reported not screened for prostate cancer in the year preceding the survey was higher among respondents aged 40-64 years (58%) than among respondents 65 years and older (32%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported not screened for prostate cancer in the year preceding the survey was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (61%) than among respondents with a high school education (48%), and those with a college education (48%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported not screened for prostate cancer in the year preceding the survey was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (64%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (49%), and respondents with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (46%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

## Prostate Cancer Screening (continued)

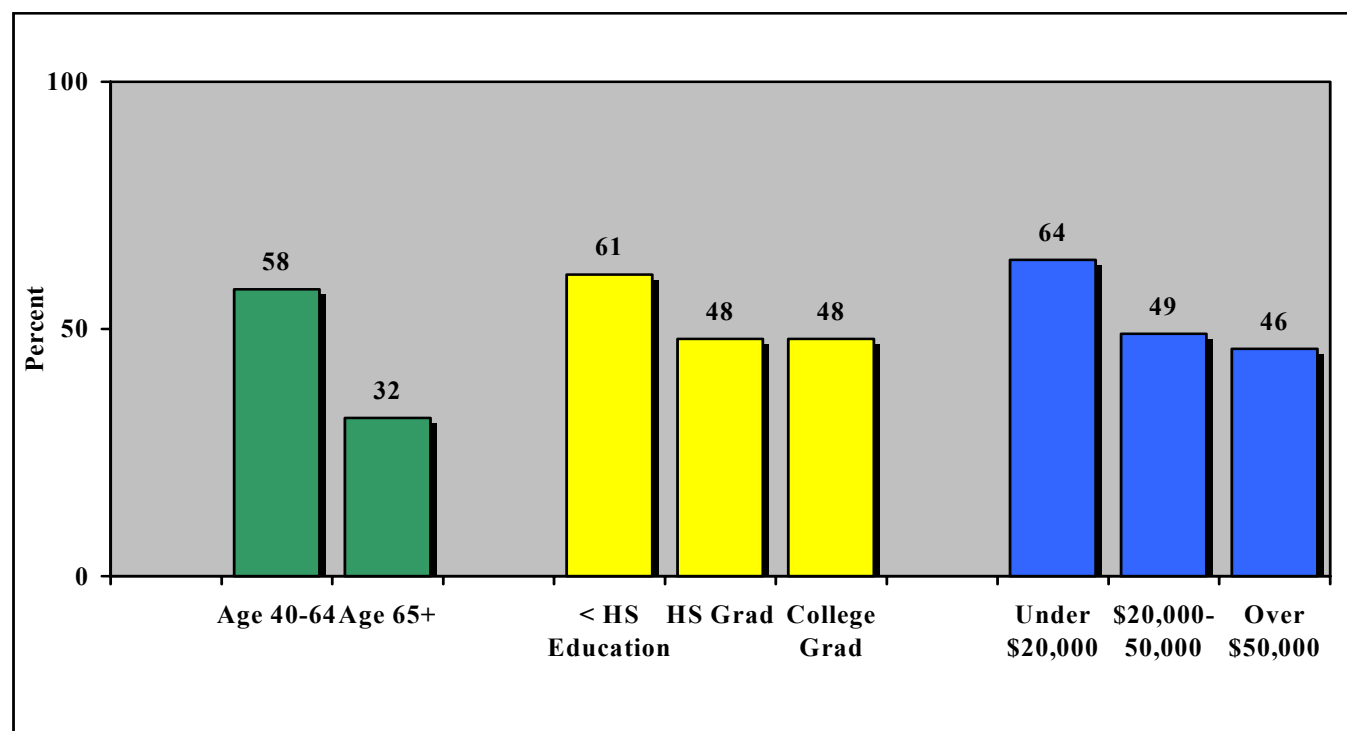
### **Risk Factor Definition: Male, over age 40 years, and not screened within the past year**

Male respondents over 40 years of age who reported they had not been screened for prostate cancer in the past year preceding the survey.

Table 1: Not screened for prostate cancer in the past year

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	N/A	<HS Education	61	<\$20,000	64
40-64	58	HS Grad.	48	\$20,000-\$50,000	49
65+	32	College Grad.	48	>\$50,000	46

Figure 1: Not screened for prostate cancer in the past year



## Prostate Cancer Screening (continued)

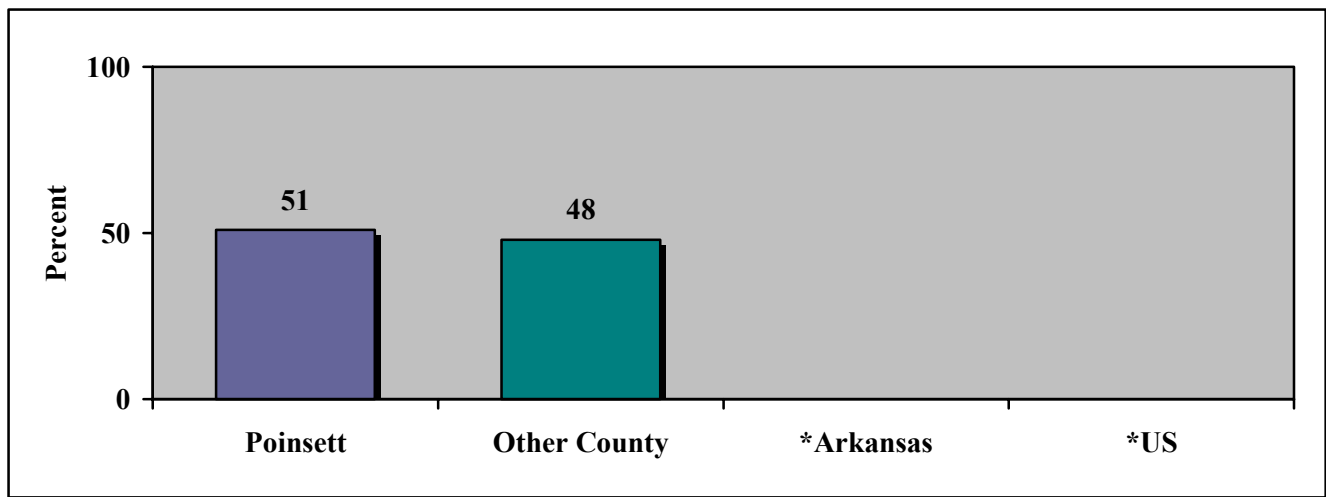
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on not screened for prostate cancer in the past year

- The prevalence of reported not screened for prostate cancer in the year preceding the survey among male respondents over 40 years of age was higher among men in Poinsett County (51%) than among men in a neighboring county (48%) (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Comparing reported findings on not screened for prostate cancer in the past year



\*No comparison data available

## Immunization – Influenza Shot

Immunization against influenza can prevent serious illness and death. Getting the flu shot not only helps you but it lessens the chance that you will spread the illness to someone else.

### **Risk Factor Definition: No influenza shot within past 12 months**

Question: During the past 12 months, have you had a flu shot?

At Risk: Those who answered “No” are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**



- Sixty-five percent (65%) of Poinsett County adults reported that they had not had an influenza shot in the twelve months preceding the survey.
- The prevalence of reported no influenza shot in the twelve months preceding the survey was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (80%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (66%), and respondents 65 years and older (28%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported no influenza shot in the twelve months preceding the survey was lower among respondents with less than a high school education (57%) than among those respondents with a high school education (69%); and equal to respondents with a college education (57%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported no influenza shot in the twelve months preceding the survey was lower among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (57%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (70%), and those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (67%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

## Immunization – Influenza Shot (continued)

### **Risk Factor Definition: No influenza shot within past 12 months**

Respondents who reported that they had not had an influenza shot in the twelve months preceding the survey.

Table 1: No influenza shot within the past 12 months

Age	(%)	Education	(%)	Income	(%)
18-39	80	<HS Education	57	<\$20,000	57
40-64	66	HS Grad.	69	\$20,000-\$50,000	70
65+	28	College Grad.	57	>\$50,000	67

Figure 1: No influenza shot within the past 12 months

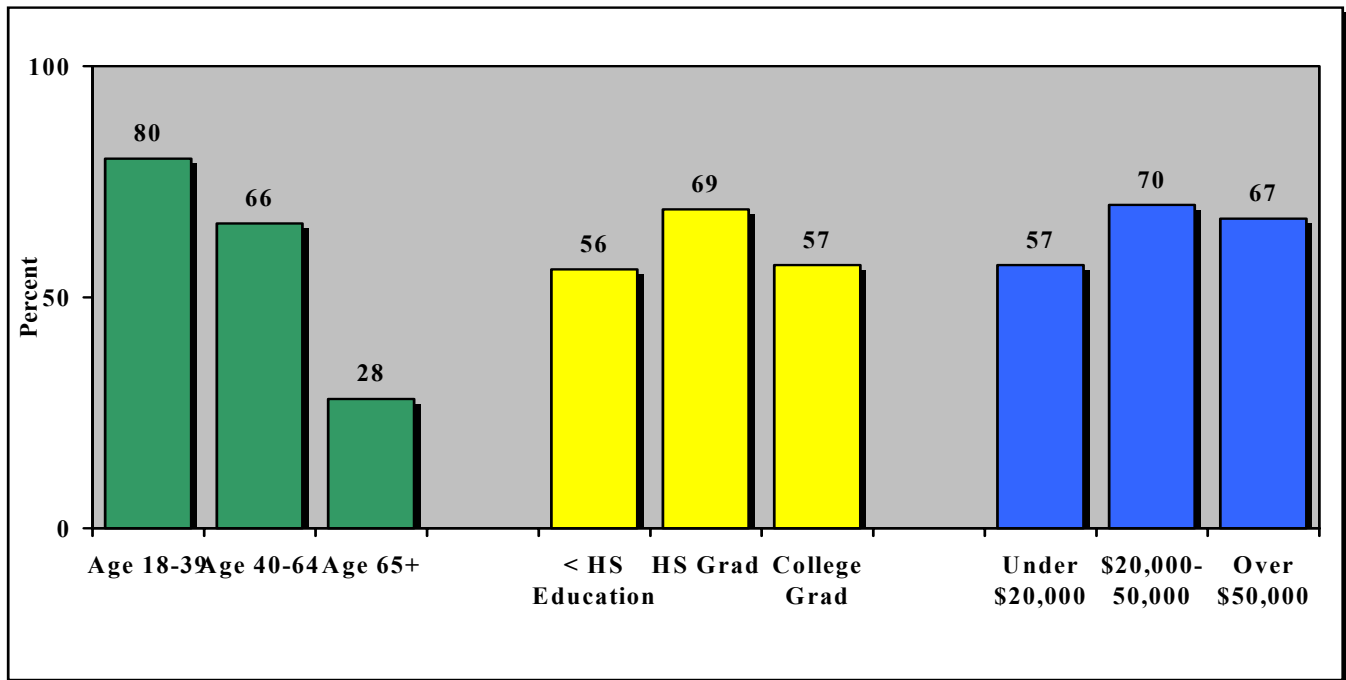
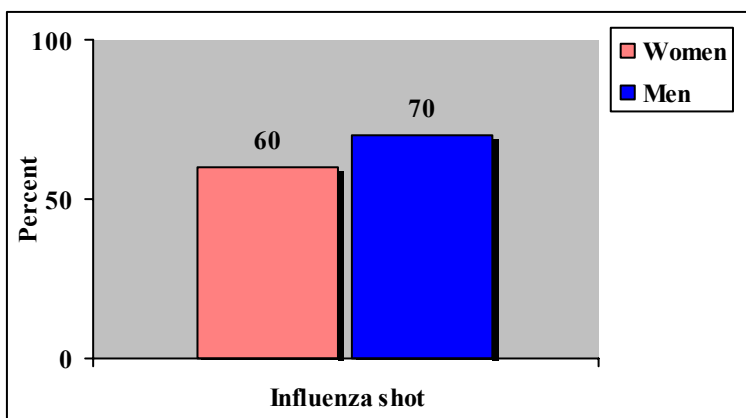


Figure 2: No influenza shot within the past 12 months, by gender



The prevalence of reported no influenza shot in the twelve months preceding the survey was **lower** among **adult women (60%)** than among **adult men (70%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 2).



## Immunization – Influenza Shot (continued)

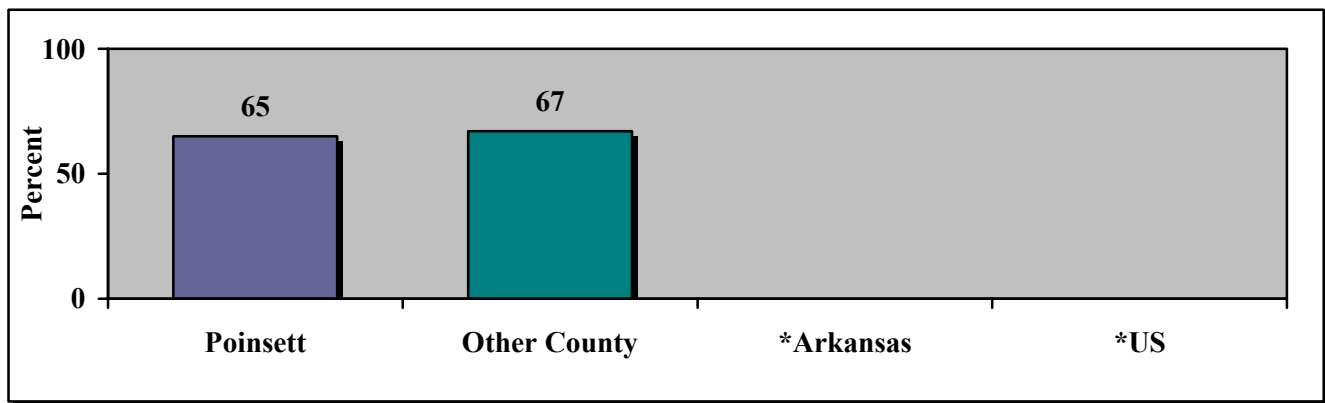
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on no influenza shot within the past 12 months

- The prevalence of reported no influenza shot in the twelve months preceding the survey was lower among adults in Poinsett County (65%) than among adults in a neighboring county (67%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on no influenza shot within the past 12 months

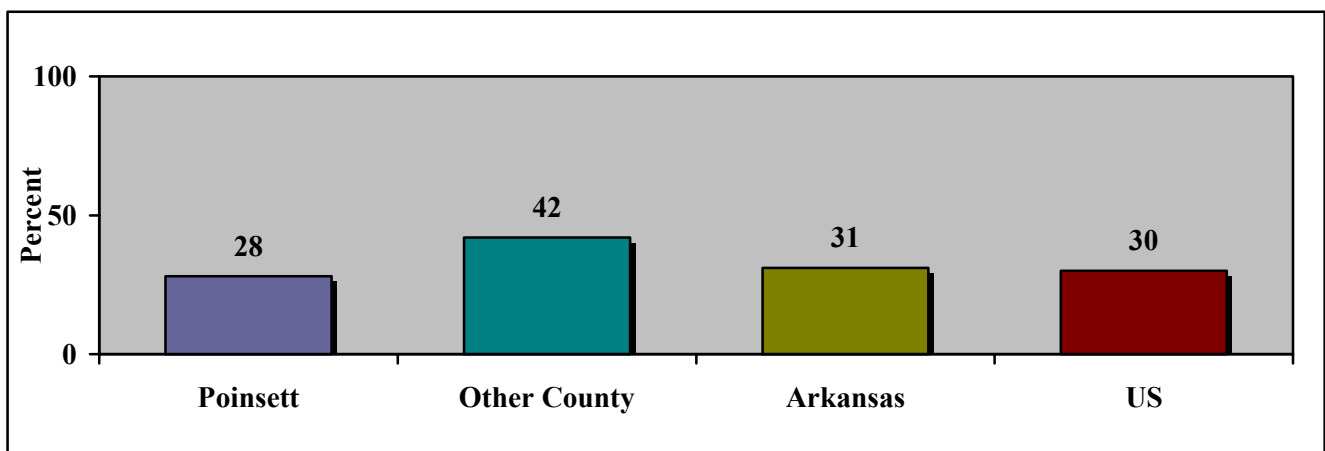


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### Comparing reported findings on no influenza shot within the past 12 months, 65+ year olds

- The prevalence of reported no influenza shot in the twelve months preceding the survey among respondents age 65 years and older was lower among respondents in Poinsett County (28%) than among respondents in a neighboring county (42%), in the state (31%) and nation (30%) (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Comparing reported findings on no influenza shot within the past 12 months, 65+ year olds



# Oral Health

## Permanent Teeth Extraction

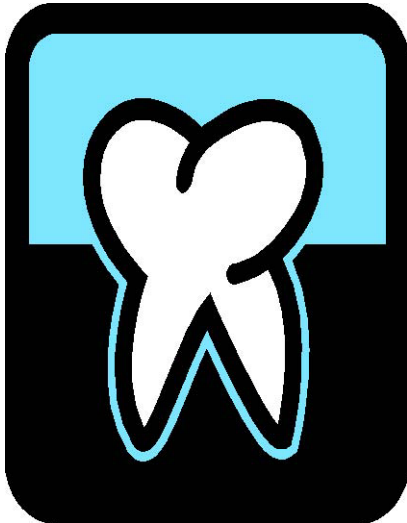
### **Risk Factor Definition: Permanent teeth extraction**

Question: How many of your permanent teeth have been removed because of tooth decay or gum disease?

At Risk: Those who answered “1 or more” are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Sixty-six percent (66%) of the adults in Poinsett County reported permanent teeth extraction.
- The prevalence of reported permanent teeth extraction was lower among those respondents aged 18-39 years (45%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (78%), and respondents 65 years and older (88%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).



- The prevalence of reported permanent teeth extraction was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (77%) than among respondents with a high school education (66%), and respondents with a college education (46%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported permanent teeth extraction was higher among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (77%) than among respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (72%), and those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (47%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

## Oral Health (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Permanent teeth extraction

Respondents who reported any permanent teeth extraction.

Table 1: Permanent teeth extraction

Age	(%)	Education	(%)	Income	(%)
18-39	45	<HS Education	77	<\$20,000	77
40-64	78	HS Grad.	66	\$20,000-\$50,000	72
65+	88	College Grad.	46	>\$50,000	47

Figure 1: Permanent teeth extraction

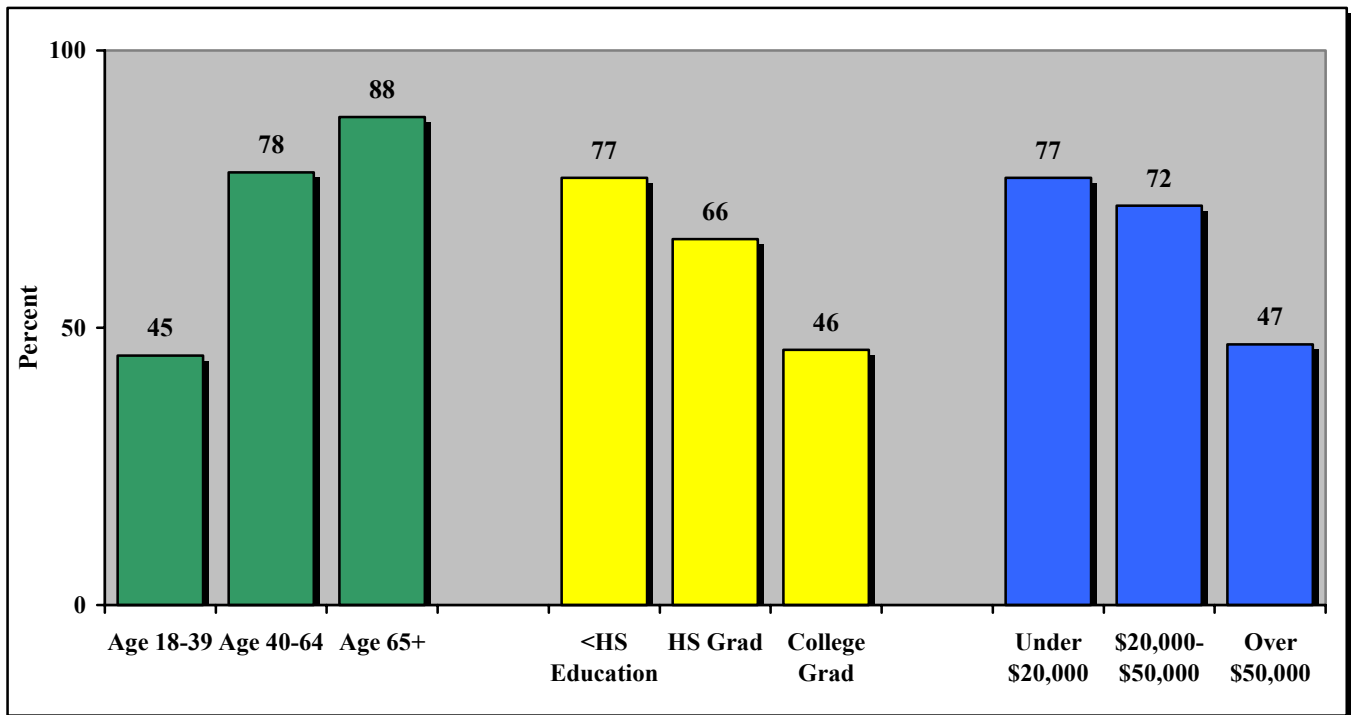
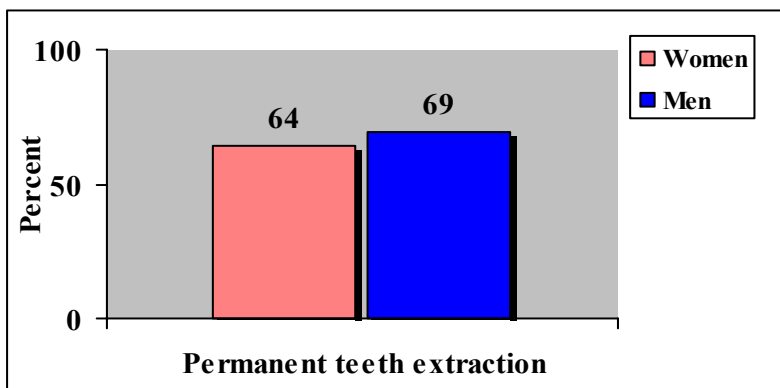


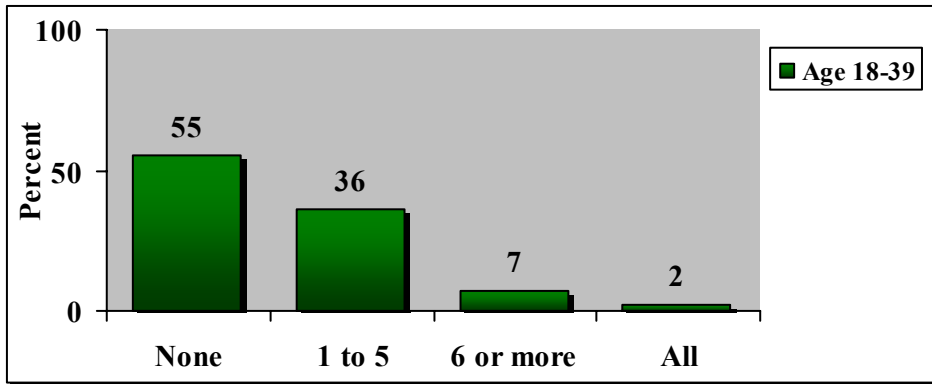
Figure 2: Permanent teeth extraction, by gender



The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction was **lower** among **adult women (64%)** than among **adult men (69%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 2).

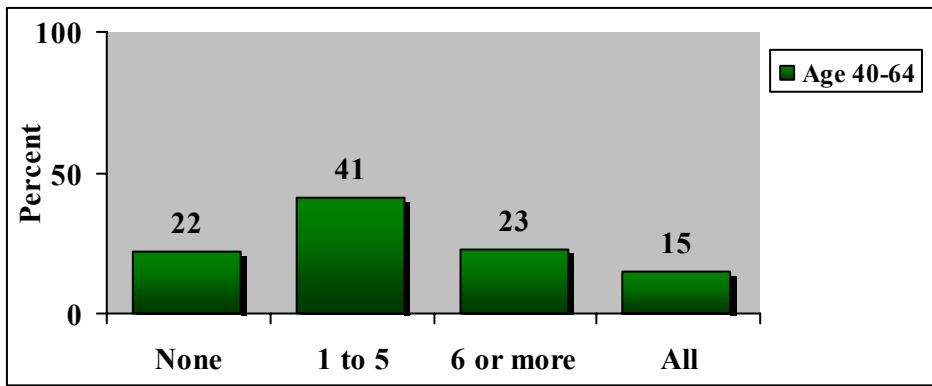
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Figure 3: Permanent teeth extraction, aged 18-39 years



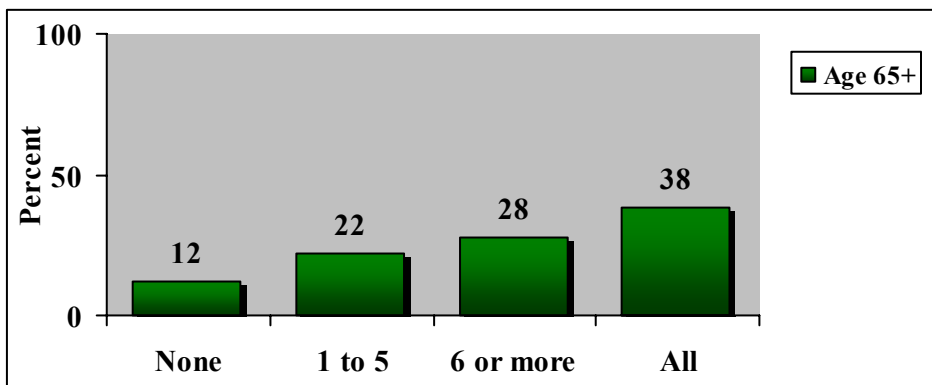
The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction among respondents aged 18-39 year in Poinsett County (Figure 3).

Figure 4: Permanent teeth extraction, aged 40-64 years



The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction among respondents aged 40-64 in Poinsett County (Figure 4).

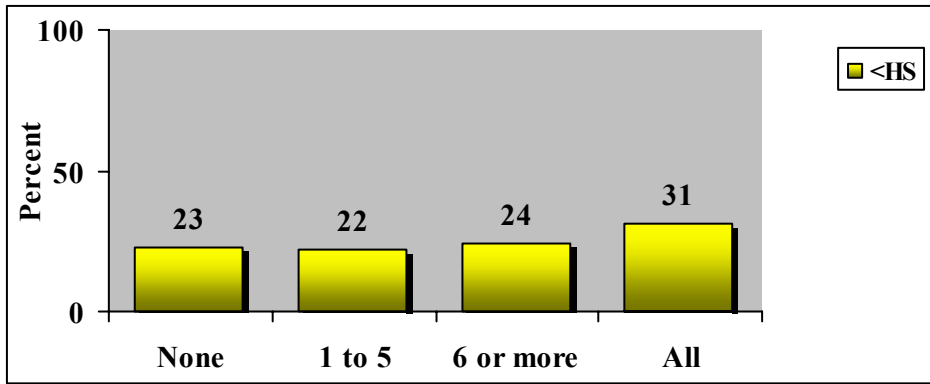
Figure 5: Permanent teeth extraction, age 65+ years



The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction among respondents 65 years and over in Poinsett County (Figure 5).

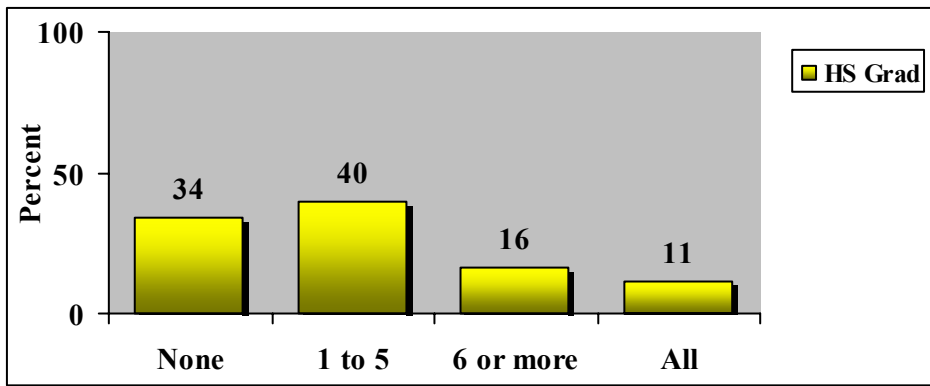
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Figure 6: Permanent teeth extraction, less than high school education



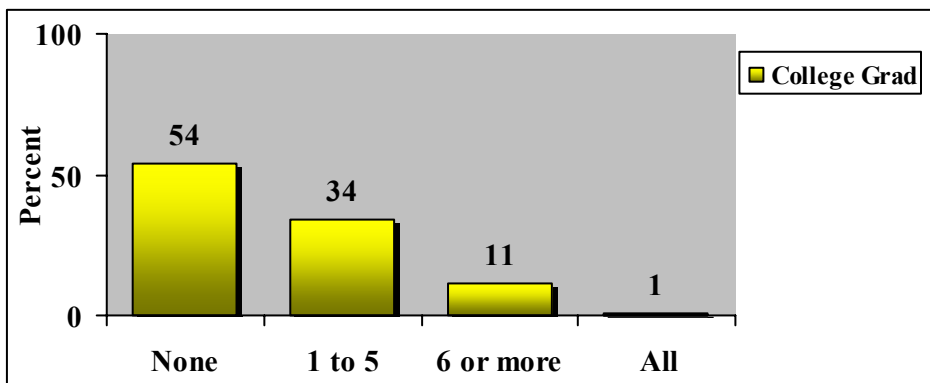
The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction among respondents with less than a high school education in Poinsett County (Figure 6).

Figure 7: Permanent teeth extraction, high school graduate



The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction among respondents with a high school education in Poinsett County (Figure 7).

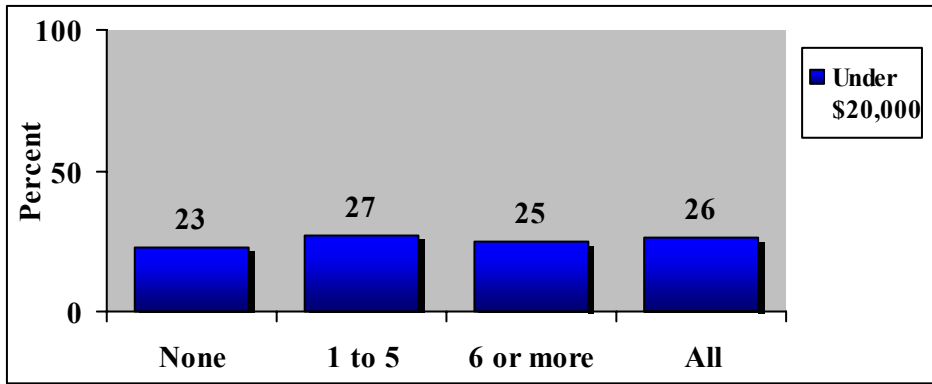
Figure 8: Permanent teeth extraction, college graduate



The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction among respondents with a college education in Poinsett County (Figure 8).

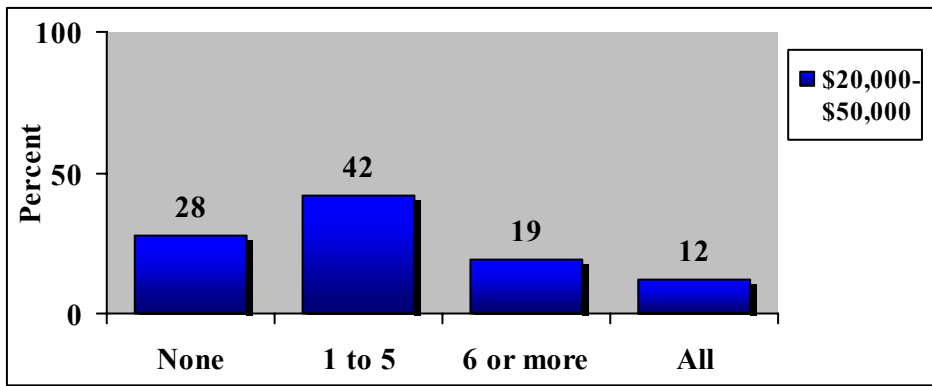
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**Figure 9:** Permanent teeth extraction, income less than \$20,000



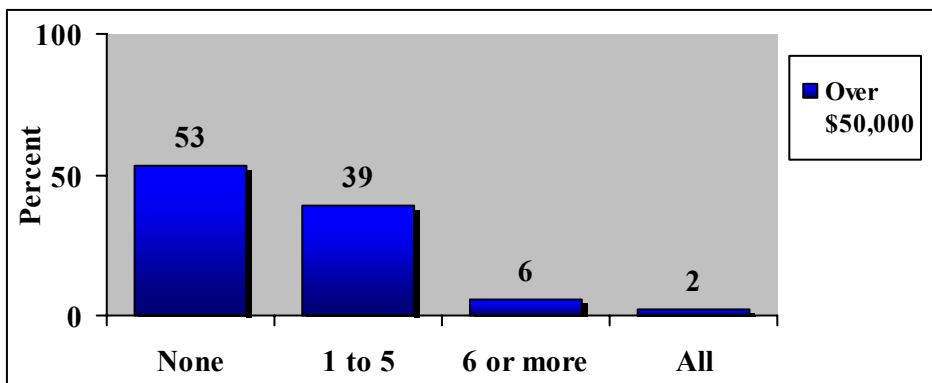
The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction among respondents with annual household income less than \$20,000 in Poinsett County (Figure 9).

**Figure 10:** Permanent teeth extraction, income of \$20,000-\$50,000



The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction among respondents with an annual household income between \$20,000 and \$50,000 in Poinsett County (Figure 10).

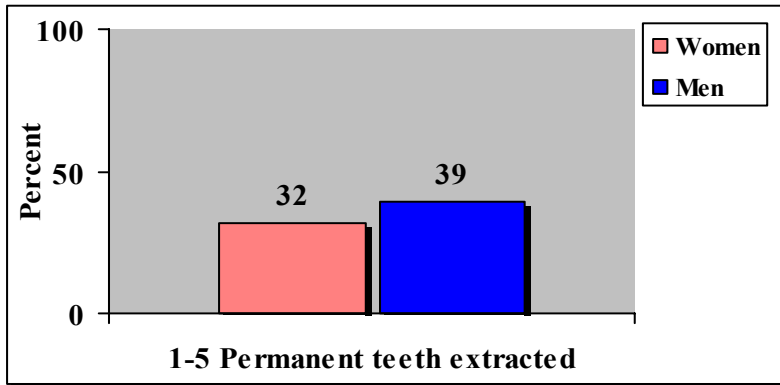
**Figure 11:** Permanent teeth extraction, income over \$50,000



The reported prevalence of permanent teeth extraction among respondents with an household income of over \$50,000 in Poinsett County (Figure 11).

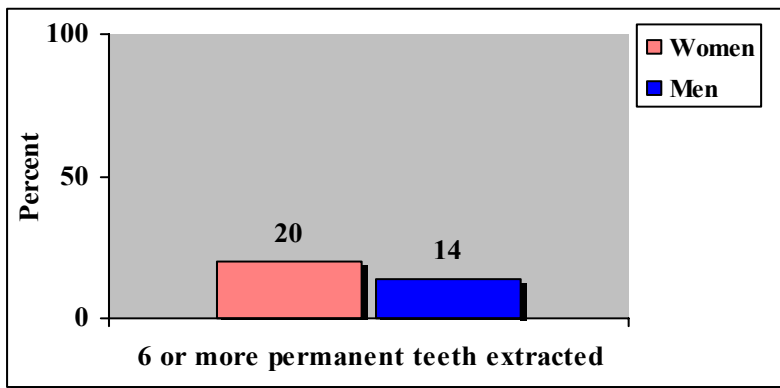
## Oral Health (continued)

Figure 12: 1-5 permanent teeth extracted, by gender



The reported prevalence of one to five permanent teeth extraction was **lower** among **adult women (32%)** than among **adult men (39%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 12).

Figure 13: 6 or more permanent teeth extracted, by gender



The reported prevalence of six or more permanent teeth extraction was **higher** among **adult women (20%)** than among **adult men (14%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 13).

Figure 14: All permanent teeth extracted, by gender



The reported prevalence of all permanent teeth extraction was **lower** among **adult women (12%)** than among **adult men (15%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 14).

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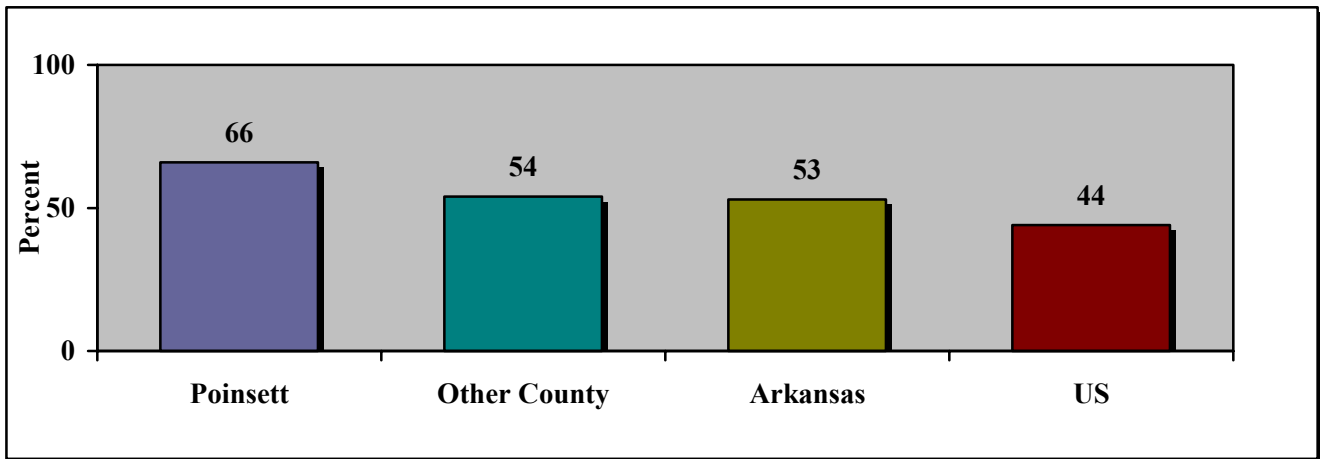
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on permanent teeth extraction

- The prevalence of reported permanent teeth extraction was higher among adults in Poinsett County (66%) than among adults in a neighboring county (54%) (Figure 15).
- The prevalence of reported permanent teeth extraction was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (66%) than among adults in the state (53%), and adults in the nation (44%) (Figure 15).

Figure 15: Comparing reported findings on permanent teeth extraction





## Oral Health (continued)

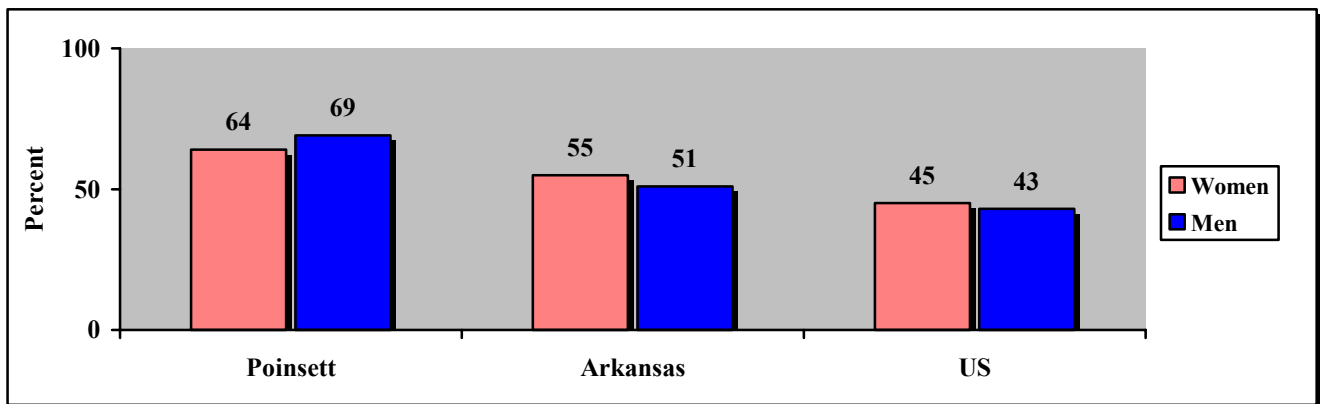
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on permanent teeth extraction, by gender

- The prevalence of reported permanent teeth extraction was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (64%) than among adult women in the state (55%), and adult women in the nation (45%) (Figure 16).
- The prevalence of reported permanent teeth extraction was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (69%) than among adult men in the state (51%), and men in the nation (43%) (Figure 16).

Figure 16: Comparing reported findings on permanent teeth extraction, by gender



## Oral Health (continued)

### Last dental visit

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Last dental visit one year or more ago**

Question: How long has it been since you last visited a dentist or dental clinic for any reason?

At Risk: Those who answered “1 year or more” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Fifty percent (50%) of the adults in Poinsett County reported that they had not visited a dentist or dental clinic for over one year.



- The prevalence of reported last dental visit more than one year ago was lower among those respondents aged 18-39 years (42%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (54%), and respondents 65 years and older (57%) (Table 2 and Figure 17).
- The prevalence of reported last dental visit more than one year ago was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (64%) than among respondents with a high school education (49%), and respondents with a college education (28%) (Table 2 and Figure 17).
- The prevalence of reported last dental visit more than one year ago was higher among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (67%) than among respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (44%), and those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (34%) (Table 2 and Figure 17).

## Oral Health (continued)

### **Risk Factor Definition: Last dental visit one year or more ago**

Respondents who reported that last dental visit was one year or more ago.

Table 2: Last dental visit

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	42	<HS Education	64	<\$20,000	67
40-64	54	HS Grad.	49	\$20,000-\$50,000	44
65+	57	College Grad.	28	>\$50,000	34

Figure 17: Last dental visit

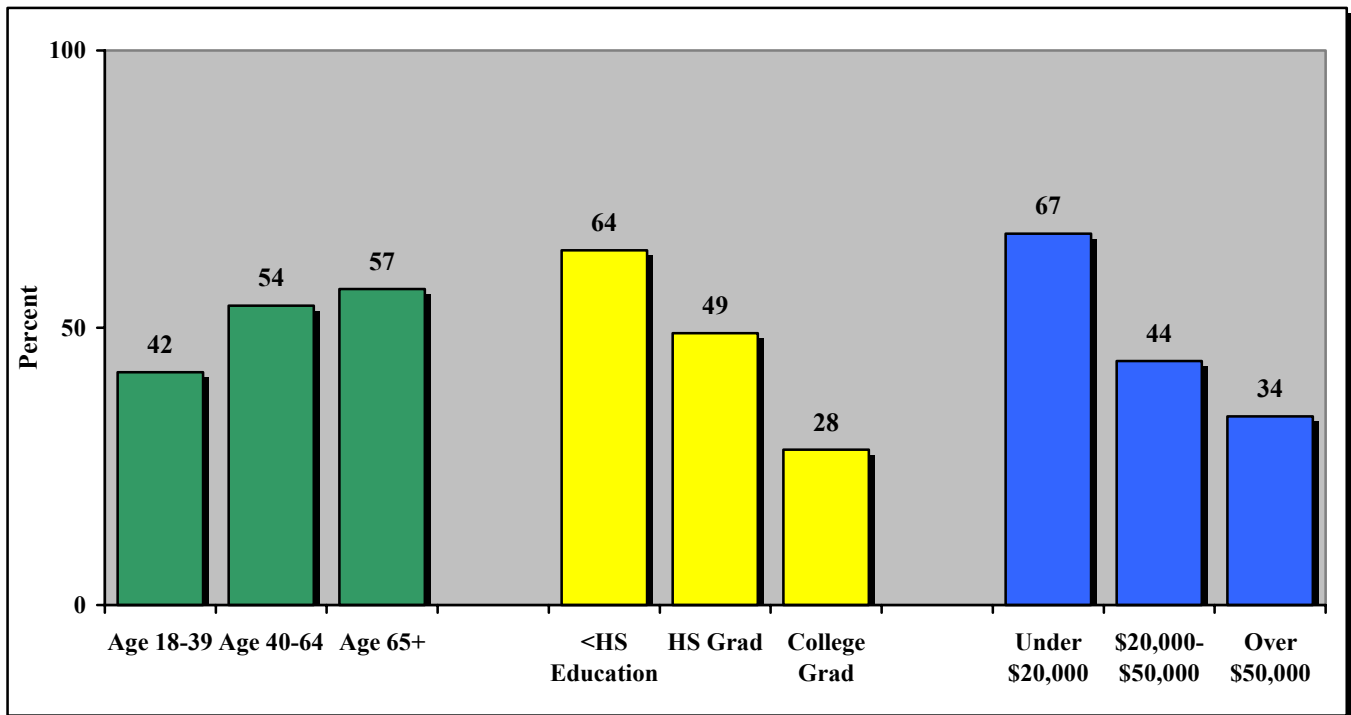
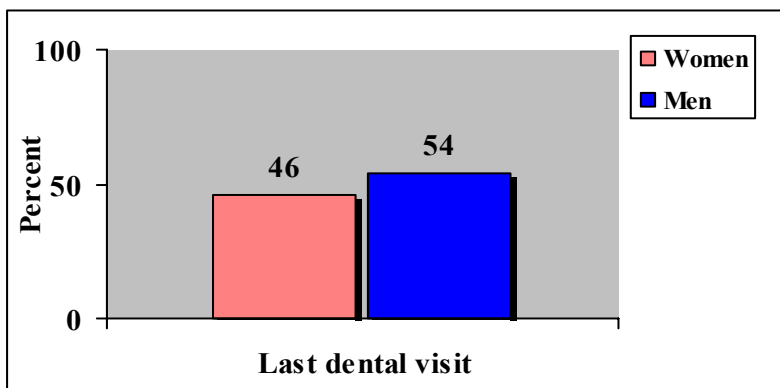


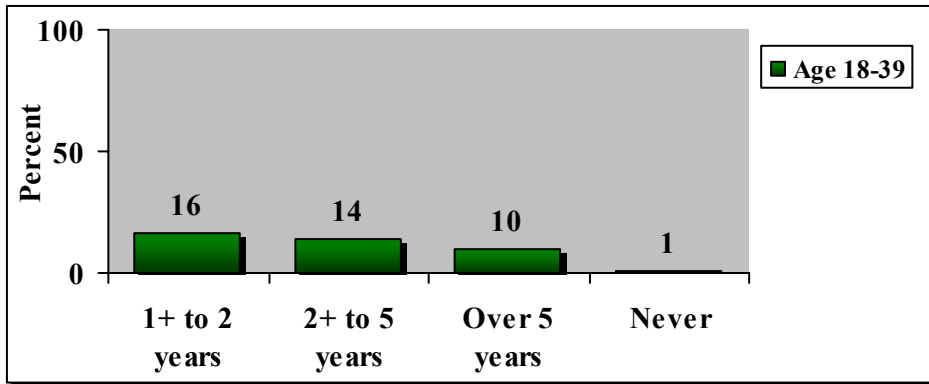
Figure 18: Last dental visit, by gender



The reported prevalence of last dental visit more than one year ago was **lower** among **adult women (46%)** than among **adult men (54%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 18).

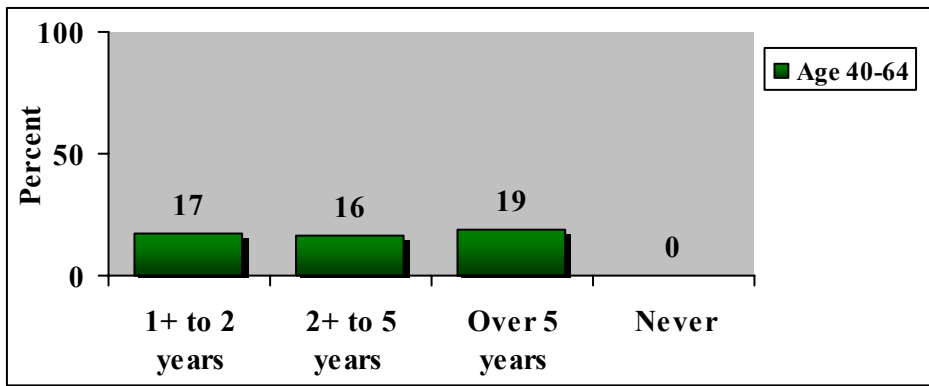
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Figure 19: Last dental visit, aged 18-39 years



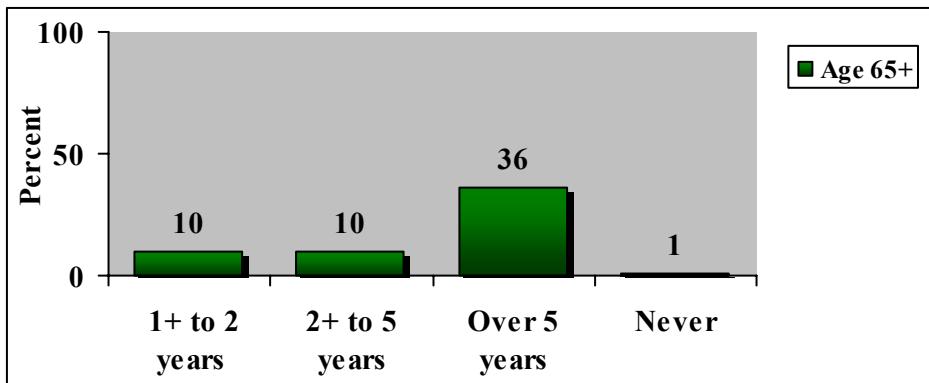
The reported prevalence of last dental visit one year or more ago among respondents aged 18-39 year in Poinsett County (Figure 19).

Figure 20: Last dental visit, aged 40-64 years



The reported prevalence of last dental visit one year or more ago among respondents aged 40-64 in Poinsett County (Figure 20).

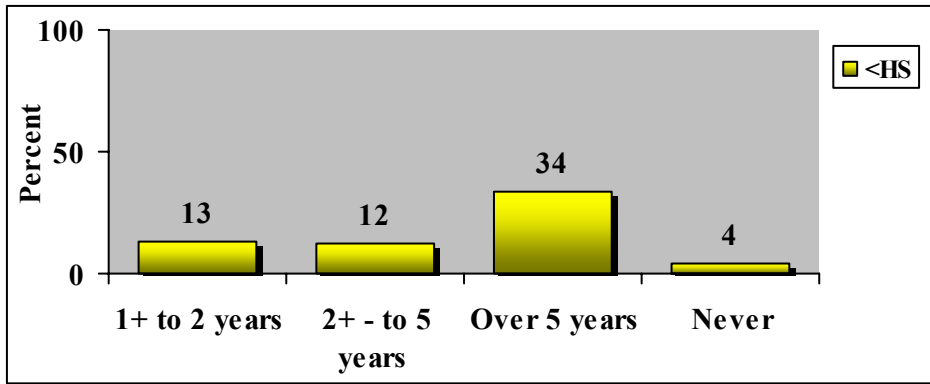
Figure 21: Last dental visit, aged 65+ years



The reported prevalence of last dental visit one year or more ago among respondents 65 years and over in Poinsett County (Figure 21).

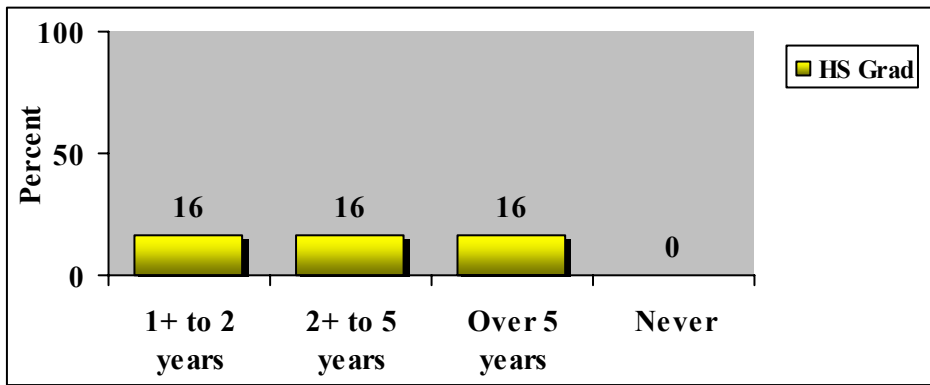
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Figure 22: Last dental visit, less than high school education



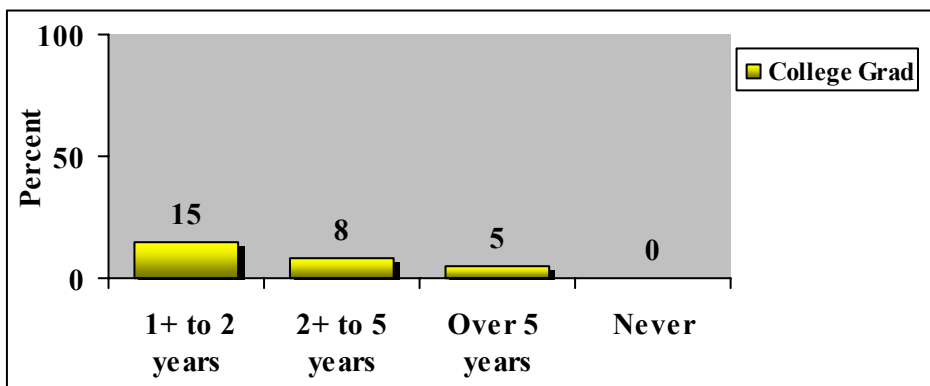
The reported prevalence of last dental visit one year or more ago among respondents with less than a high school education in Poinsett County (Figure 22).

Figure 23: Last dental visit, high school graduate



The reported prevalence of last dental visit one year or more ago among respondents with a high school education in Poinsett County (Figure 23).

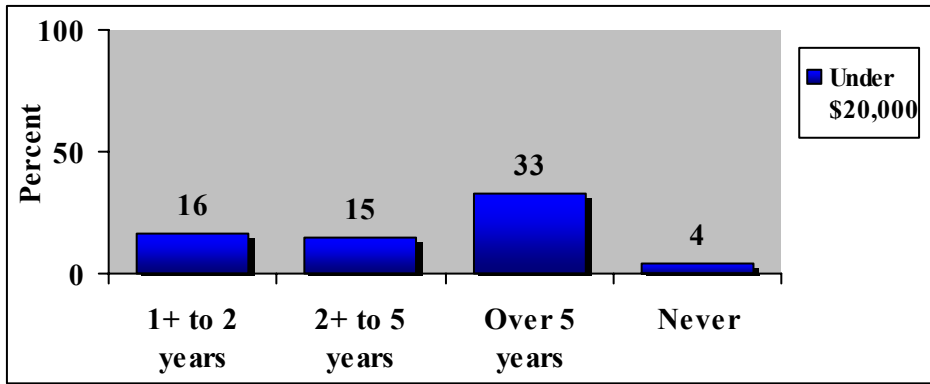
Figure 24: Last dental visit, college graduate



The reported prevalence of last dental visit one year or more ago among respondents with a college education in Poinsett County (Figure 24).

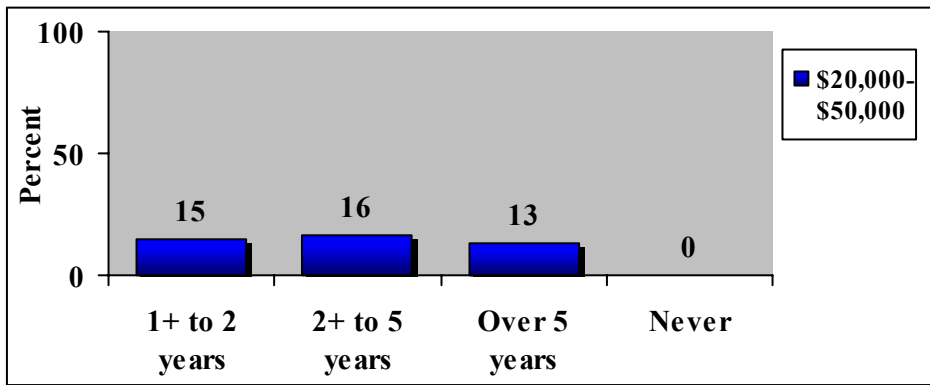
## Oral Health (continued)

Figure 25: Last dental visit, income less than \$20,000



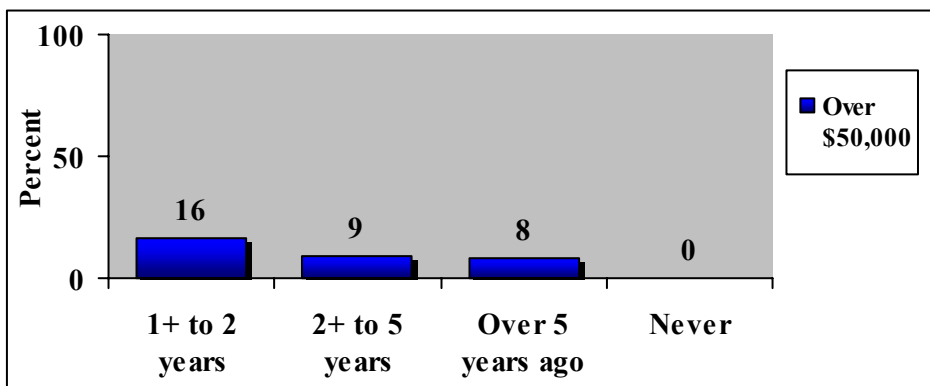
The reported prevalence of last dental visit one year or more ago among respondents with annual household income less than \$20,000 in Poinsett County (Figure 25).

Figure 26: Last dental visit, income of \$20,000-\$50,000



The reported prevalence of last dental visit one year or more ago among respondents with an annual household income between \$20,000 and \$50,000 in Poinsett County (Figure 26).

Figure 27: Last dental visit, income over \$50,000



The reported prevalence of last dental visit one year or more ago among respondents with an annual household income of over \$50,000 in Poinsett County (Figure 27).

## Oral Health (continued)

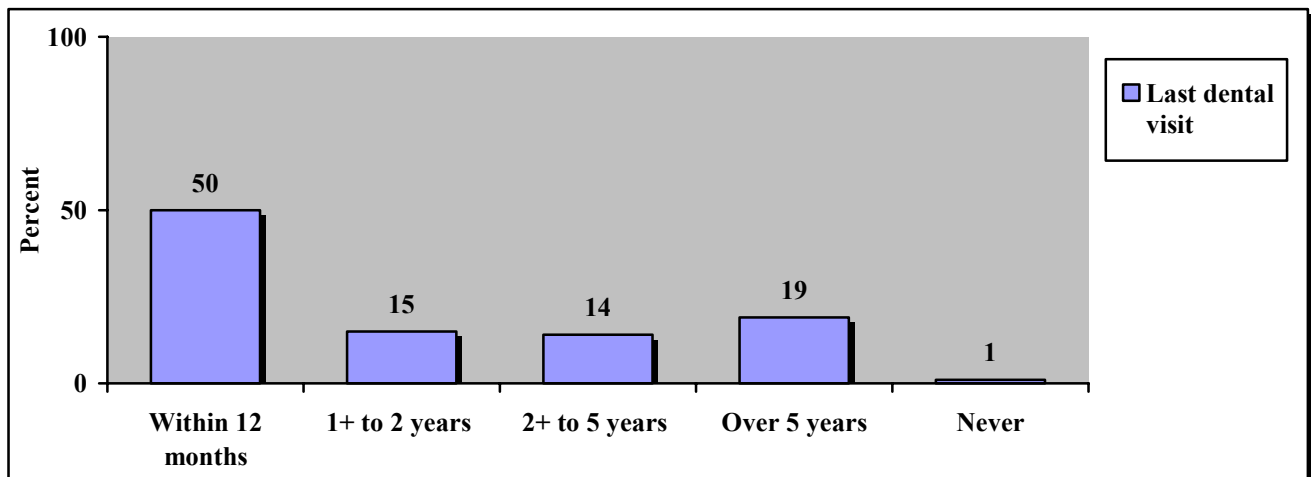
### Last visit to dentist or dental clinic visit

**Question: How long has it been since you last visited a dentist or dental clinic for any reason?**

#### Reported last visit to a dentist or dental clinic

- **Fifty percent (50%)** of respondents reported a dental visit within the **past 12 months** (Figure 28).
- **Fifteen percent (15%)** of respondents reported a dental visit **over 1 year** but less than 2 years ago (Figure 28).
- **Fourteen percent (14%)** of respondents reported a dental visit **over 2 years** but less than 5 years ago (Figure 28).
- **Nineteen percent (19%)** of respondents reported a dental visit **5 or more years** ago (Figure 28).
- **One percent (1%)** of the respondents reported **no history** of dental visits (Figure 28).

Figure 28: Reported last visit to a dentist or dental clinic



## Oral Health (continued)

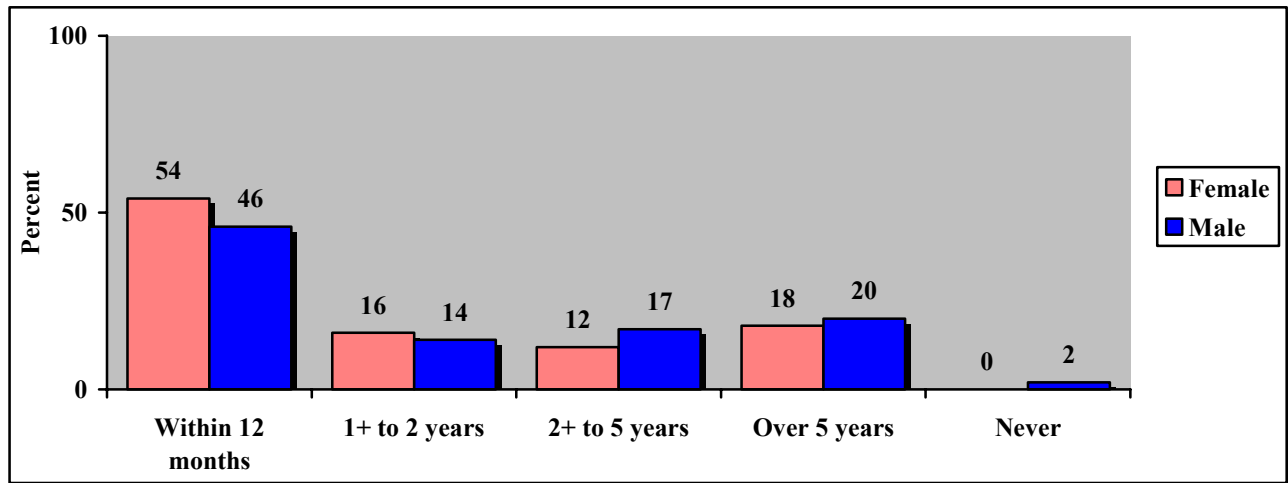
### Last visit to dentist or dental clinic visit

**Question: How long has it been since you last visited a dentist or dental clinic for any reason?**

#### Reported last visit to a dentist or dental clinic, by gender

- Female adult residents (54%) in Poinsett County were more likely than male adult residents (46%) to report a dental visit within the past 12 months (Figure 29).
- Male adult residents (2%) in Poinsett County were more likely than female adult residents (<1%) to report no history of dental visits (Figure 29).

Figure 29: Reported last visit to a dentist or dental clinic, by gender





## Oral Health (continued)

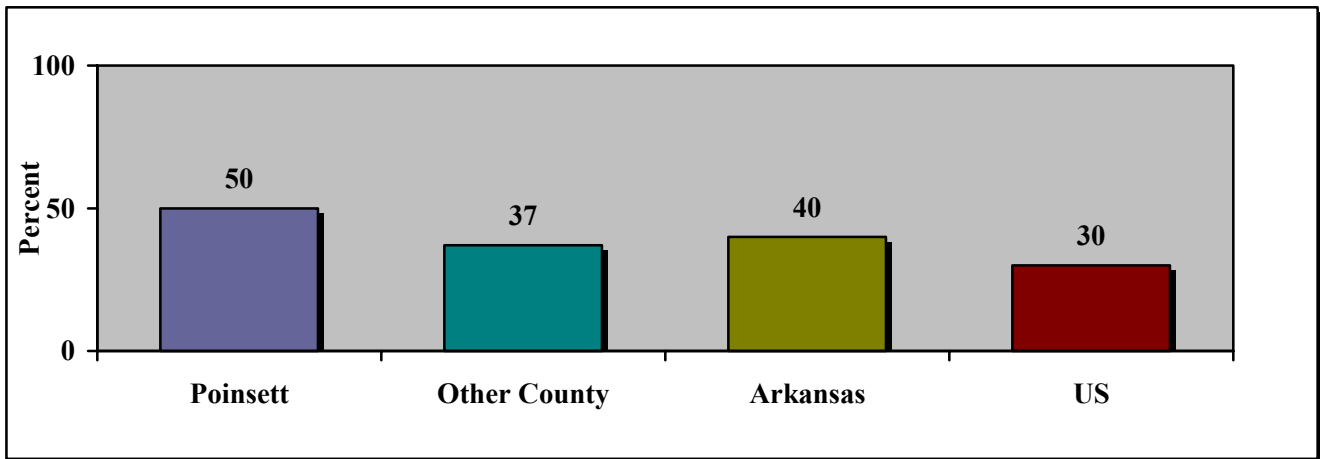
### **How does Poinsett County compare?**

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### **Comparing reported findings on last visit to a dentist or dental clinic**

- The prevalence of reported last visit to a dentist or dental clinic was higher among adults in Poinsett County (50%) than among adults in a neighboring county (37%) (Figure 30).
- The prevalence of reported last visit to a dentist or dental clinic was higher among adults in Poinsett County (50%) than among adults in the state (40%), and adults in the nation (30%) (Figure 30).

**Figure 30:** Comparing reported findings on last visit to a dentist or dental clinic



## Oral Health (continued)

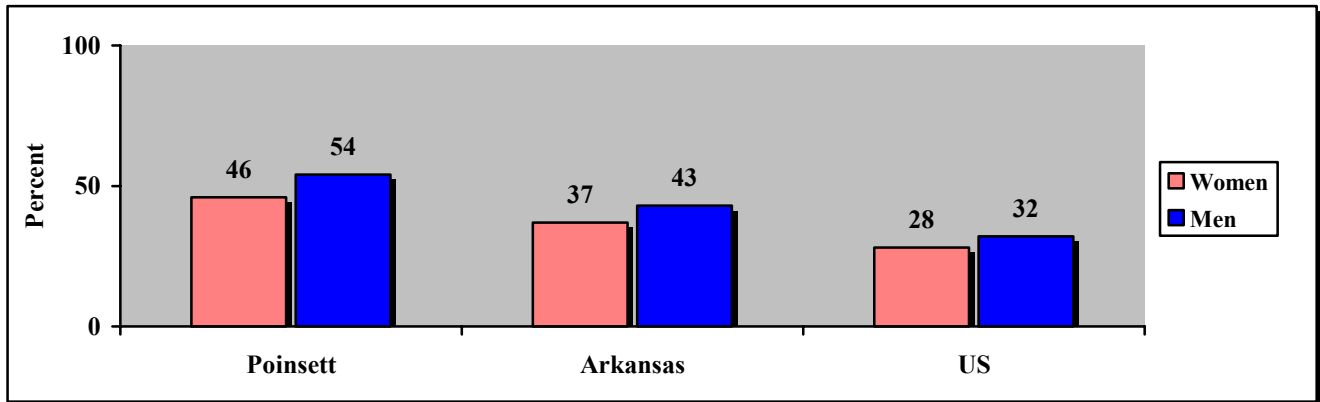
### **How does Poinsett County compare?**

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### **Comparing reported findings on last visit to a dentist or dental clinic, by gender**

- The prevalence of reported last visit to a dentist or dental clinic was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (46%) than among adult women in the state (37%), and adult women in the nation (28%) (Figure 31).
- The prevalence of reported last visit to a dentist or dental clinic was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (54%) than among adult men in the state (43%), and adult men in the nation (32%) (Figure 31).

**Figure 31:** Comparing reported findings on last visit to a dentist or dental clinic, by gender



## Physical Activity

Regular physical activity is important for people of all ages. It is important for maintaining a healthy body, enhancing quality of life, and preventing death.

### **Risk Factor Definition: Do not participate in regular physical activity**

Questions: During the past 30 days, other than your regular job, did you participate in any physical activities or exercises such as running, calisthenics, golf, gardening, or walking for exercise?

At Risk: Those who do not participate in physical activity on a regular basis are at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Thirty-eight percent (38%) of Poinsett County's adult residents reported they did not participate in regular physical activity during the month preceding the survey.
- The prevalence of reported no regular physical activity in the month preceding the survey was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (31%) than among those respondents aged 40-64 years (42%), and respondents age 65 years and older (46%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported no regular physical activity in the month preceding the survey was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (49%) than among those respondents with a high school education (36%), and college education (29%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported no regular physical activity in the month preceding the survey was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (48%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (40%), and those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (27%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).



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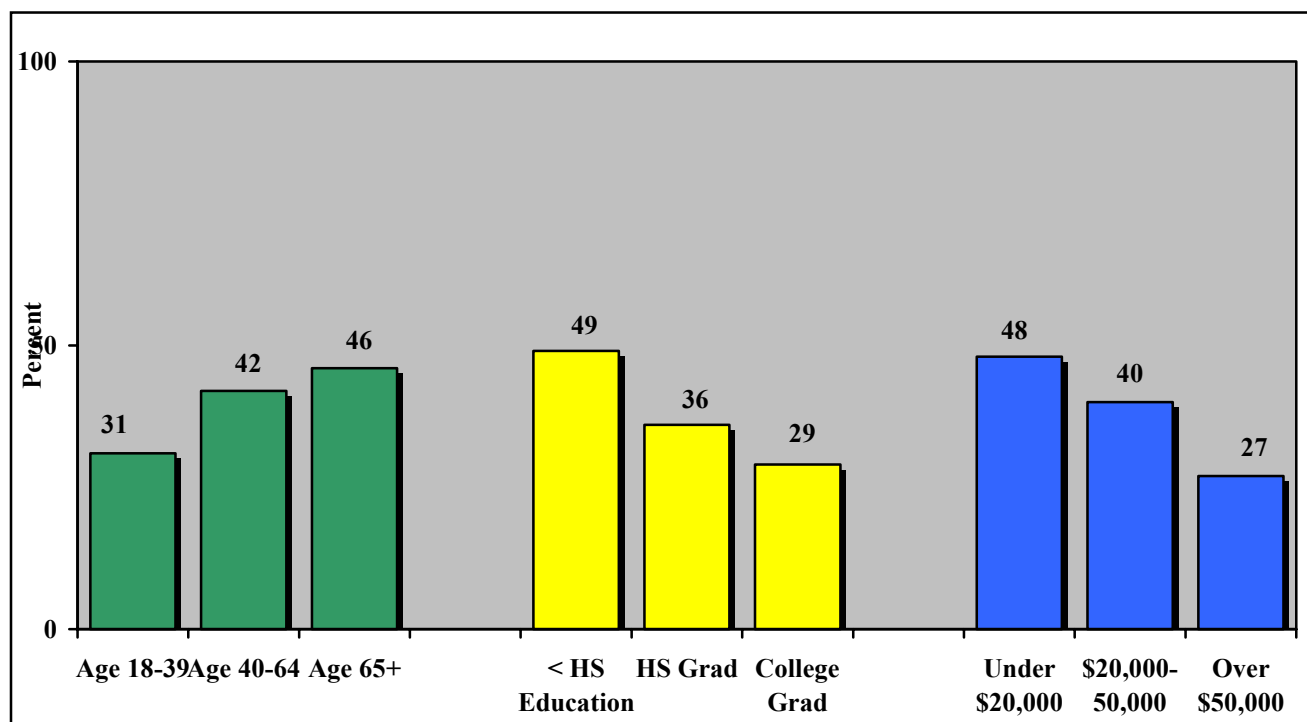
### **Risk Factor Definition: Do not participate in regular physical activity**

Respondents who reported they had not participated regular physical activity during the month preceding the survey.

Table 1: Physical activity

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	31	<HS Education	49	<\$20,000	48
40-64	42	HS Grad.	36	\$20,000-\$50,000	40
65+	46	College Grad.	29	>\$50,000	27

Figure 1: Physical activity



## Physical Activity (continued)

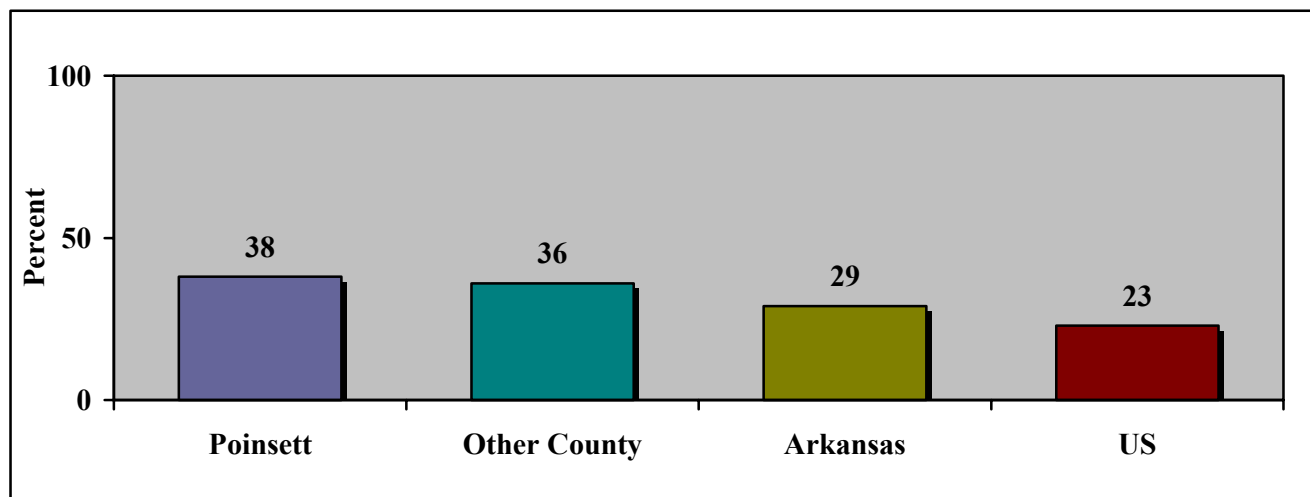
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on physical activity

- The prevalence of reported no regular physical activity in the month preceding the survey was higher among adults in Poinsett County (38%) than among adults in a neighboring county (36%) (Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported no regular physical activity in the month preceding the survey was higher among adults in Poinsett County (38%) and among adults in the state (29%), and adults in the nation (23%) (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Comparing reported findings on physical activity



## Physical Activity (continued)

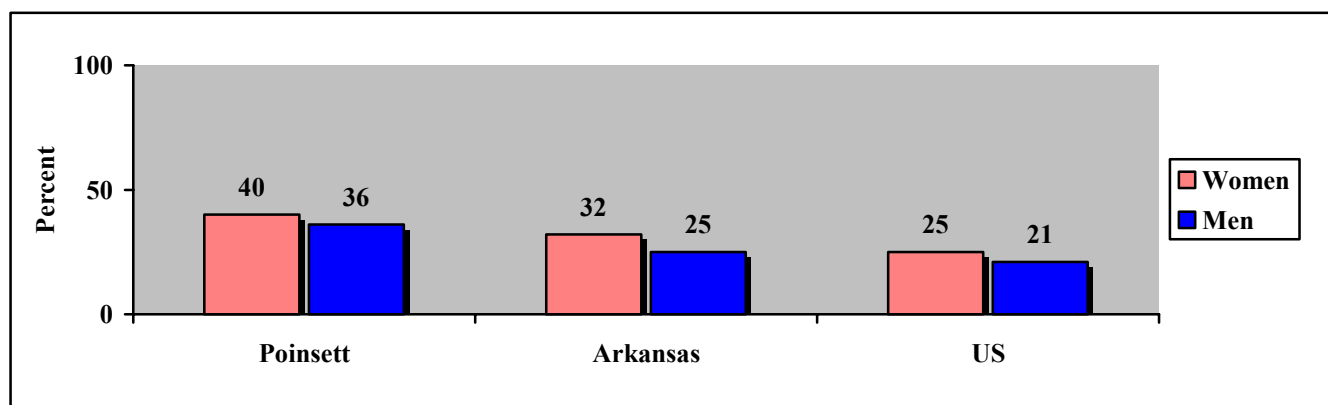
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on physical activity, by gender

- The prevalence of reported no regular physical activity in the month preceding the survey was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (40%) than among adult women in the state (32%), and adult women in the nation (25%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported no regular physical activity in the month preceding the survey was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (36%) than among adult men in the state (25%), and adult men in the nation (21%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on physical activity, by gender



## Overweight

Overweight and obesity have risen considerably over the past several years and are major contributors to preventable causes of death. They raise the risk of social stigmatization, discrimination, and low-self esteem along with raising the risk of certain illnesses. Some of these illnesses include high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, heart disease, stroke, gall bladder disease, arthritis, sleep disturbance, breathing problems, and certain types of cancer.

### **Risk Factor Definition: Overweight as measured by Body Mass Index (BMI)**

Questions:     1. How much do you weigh without shoes?  
                     2. How tall are you without shoes?

At Risk:         Those with a Body Mass Index (BMI) of greater than 25.0 are overweight. BMI is a ratio of weight to height.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Sixty-nine percent (69%) of Poinsett County's adults reported that they were overweight.
- The prevalence of reported overweight status was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (63%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (76%), and respondents 65 years and older (64%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).



- The prevalence of reported overweight status was lower among respondents with less than a high school education (65%) than among those respondents with a high school education (69%), and respondents with a college education (71%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported overweight status was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (71%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (65%); and lower than among those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (76%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

## Overweight (continued)

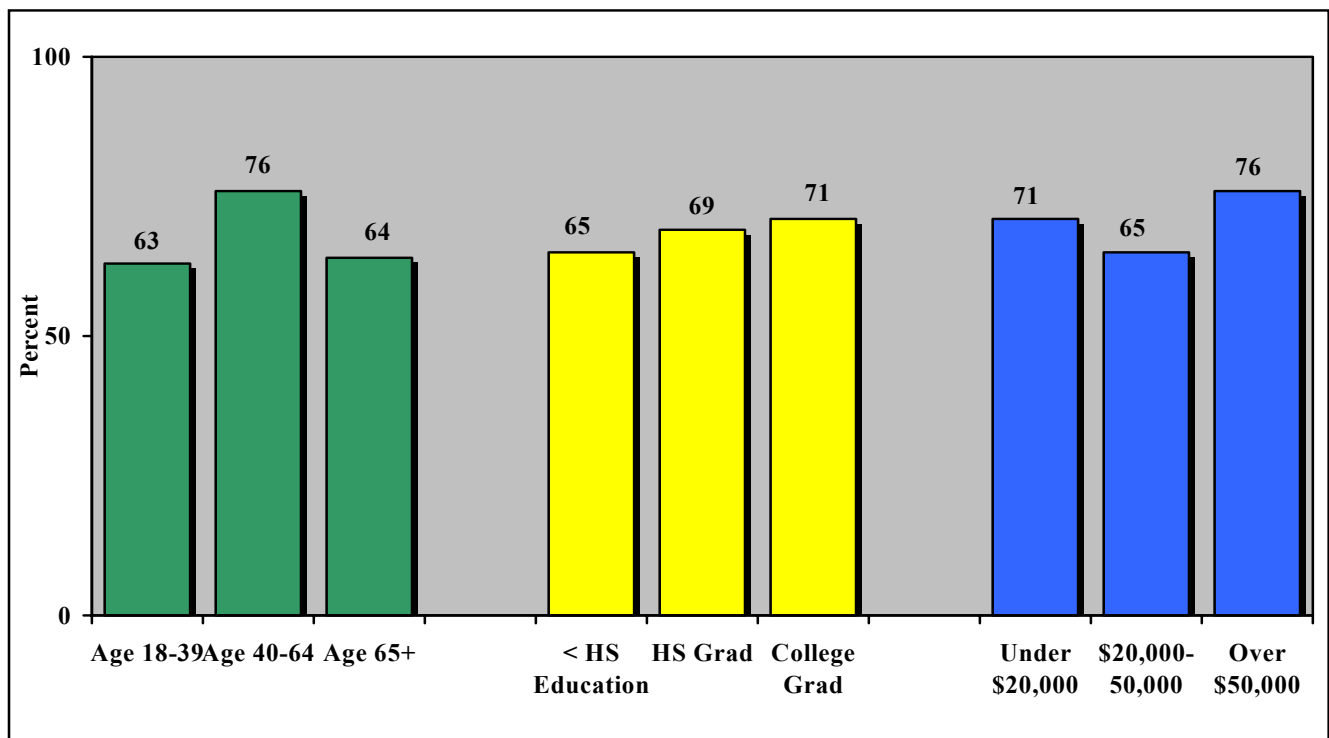
### **Risk Factor Definition: Overweight as measured by Body Mass Index (BMI)**

Respondents who reported that they were overweight.

Table 1: Overweight

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	63	<HS Education	65	<\$20,000	71
40-64	76	HS Grad.	69	\$20,000-\$50,000	65
65+	64	College Grad.	71	\$50,000	76

Figure 1: Overweight





## Overweight (continued)

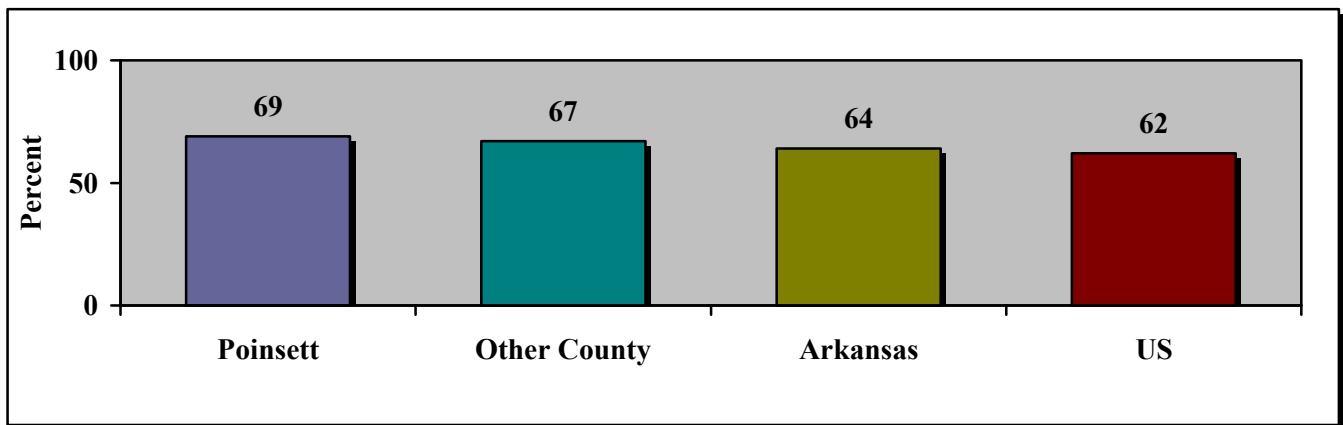
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on overweight status

- The prevalence of reported overweight status was higher among adults in Poinsett County (69%) than among adults in a neighboring county (67%) (Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported overweight status was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (69%) than among adults in the state (64%), and among adults in the nation (62%) (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Comparing reported findings on overweight status



## Overweight (continued)

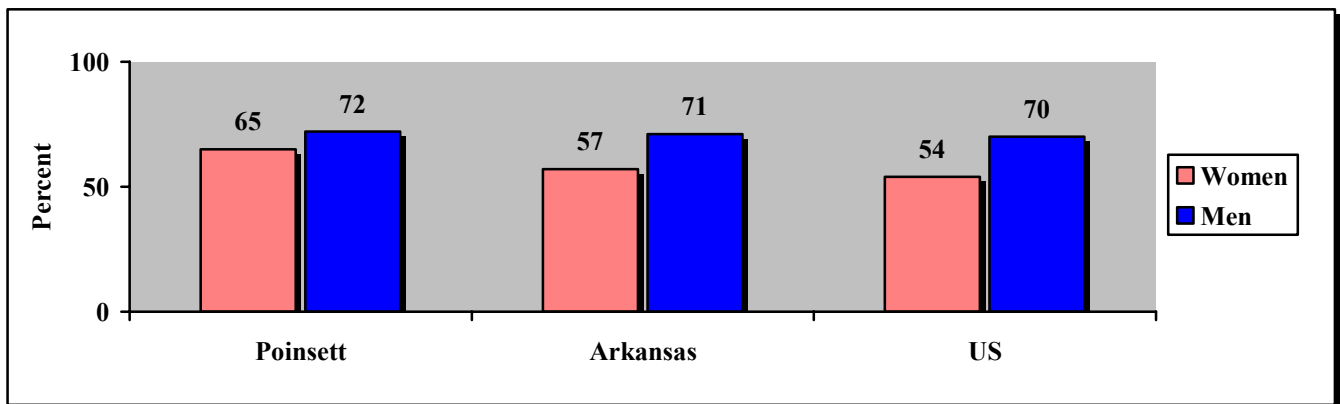
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on overweight status, by gender

- The prevalence of reported overweight status was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (65%) than among adult women in the state (57%), and adult women in the nation (54%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported overweight status was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (72%) than among adult men in the state (71%), and among adult men in the nation (70%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on overweight status, by gender




## Fruits and Vegetables

### **Risk Factor Definition: Fewer than 5 fruits and vegetables per day**

Questions: How often do you eat fruits, green salad or other vegetables, or drink fruit juice per day?

At Risk: Those who answered “less than 5 times per day” are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Eight-seven percent (87%) of Poinsett County’s adults reported that they consume fruits and vegetables fewer than five times per day.
  - The prevalence of reported consumption of fruits and vegetables fewer than five times per day was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (90%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (88%), and respondents 65 years and older (81%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
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- The prevalence of reported consumption of fruits and vegetables fewer than five times per day was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (89%) than among those respondents with a high school education (88%), and respondents with a college education (80%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
  - The prevalence of reported consumption of fruits and vegetables fewer than five times per day was lower among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (87%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000 - \$50,000 (89%); and higher than among those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (85%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

## Fruits and Vegetables (continued)

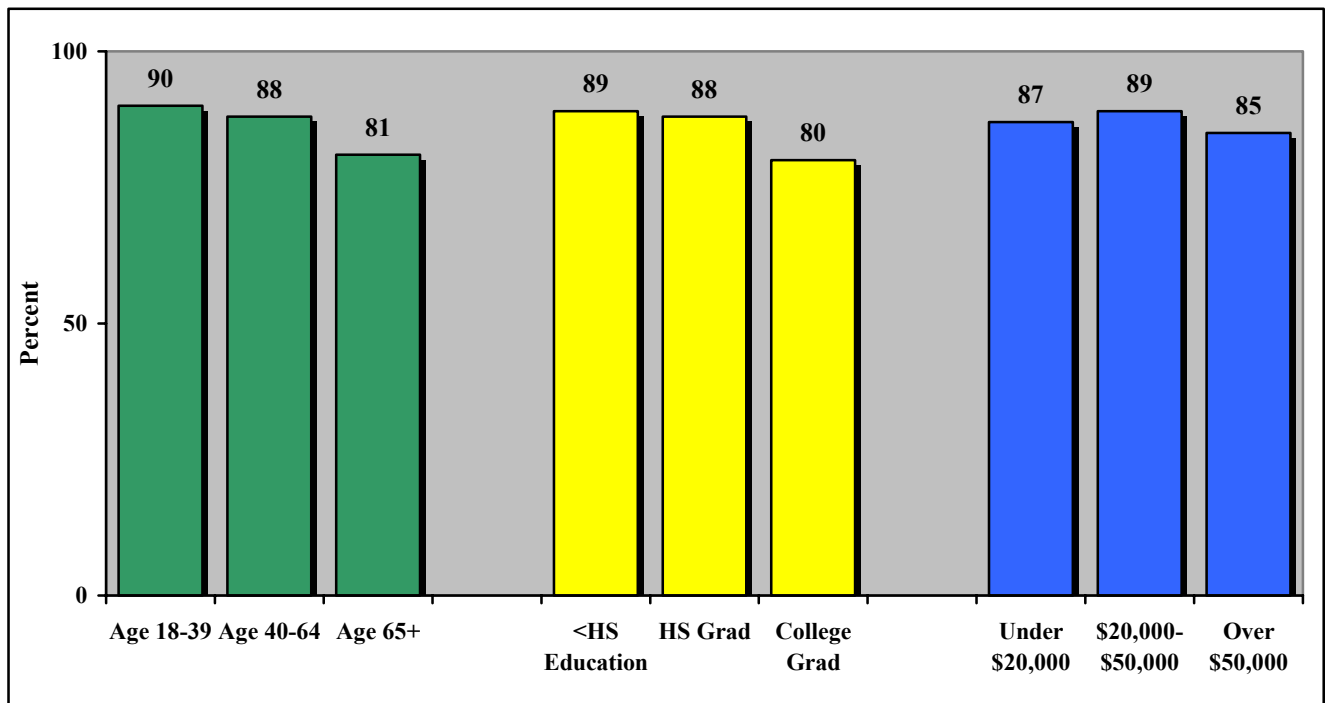
### **Risk Factor Definition: Fewer than 5 fruits and vegetables per day**

Respondents who reported that they consumed fewer than 5 fruits and vegetables per day.

Table 1: Fruits and vegetables

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	90	<HS Education	89	<\$20,000	87
40-64	88	HS Grad.	88	\$20,000-\$50,000	89
65+	81	College Grad.	80	\$50,000	85

Figure 1: Fruits and vegetables



## Fruits and Vegetables (continued)

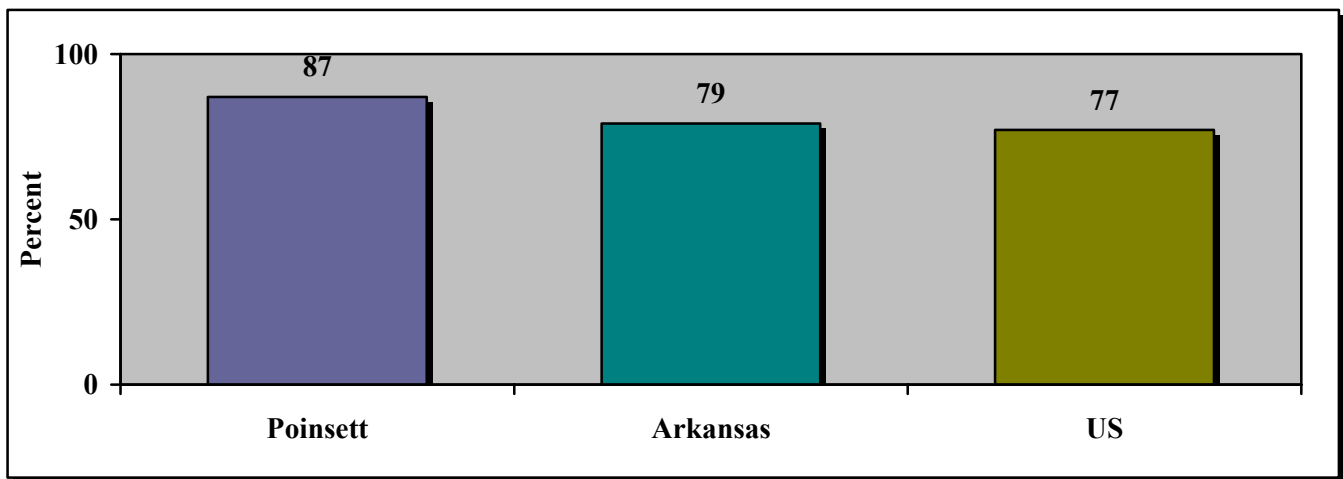
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on consumption of fruits and vegetables

- The prevalence of reported consumption of fruits and vegetables fewer than five times per day was higher among adults in Poinsett County (87%) than among adults in the state (79%), and in the nation (77%) (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Comparing reported findings on consumption of fruits and vegetables



## Fruits and Vegetables (continued)

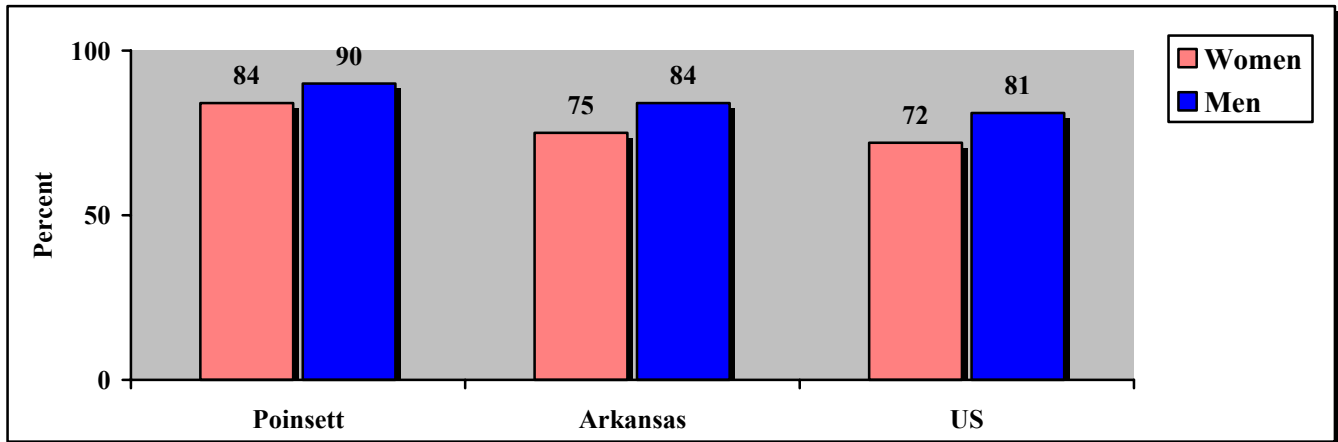
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on consumption of fruits and vegetables, by gender

- The prevalence of reported consumption of fruits and vegetables fewer than five times per day was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (84%) than among adult women in the state (75%), and adult women in the nation (72%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported consumption of fruits and vegetables fewer than five times per day was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (90%) than among adult men in the state (84%), and adult men in the nation (81%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on consumption of fruits and vegetables, by gender



## Disability

Survey respondents were asked about health problems or impairments they had. These include impairments that are either present at birth or acquired from illness or injury. People with disabilities face special challenges related to health, productivity, independence, and quality of life.

### Limitations due physical, mental, or emotional problems

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems**

Question: Are you limited in any way in any activities because of physical, mental, or emotional problems?

At Risk: Those who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Thirty percent (30%) of adults in Poinsett County reported that they had some activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems.
- The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (19%) than among those aged 40-64 years (38%), and respondents 65 years and older (38%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (39%) than among those respondents with a high school education (28%), and college education (28%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (54%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (22%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (12%) (Table 1 and Figure 1).

## Disability (continued)

### **Risk Factor Definition: Limitations due physical, mental, or emotional problems**

Respondents who reported that they had some activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems.

Table 1: Limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems

Age	(%)	Education	(%)	Income	(%)
18-39	19	<HS Education	39	<\$20,000	54
40-64	38	HS Grad.	28	\$20,000-\$50,000	22
65+	38	College Grad.	28	>\$50,000	12

Figure 1: Limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems

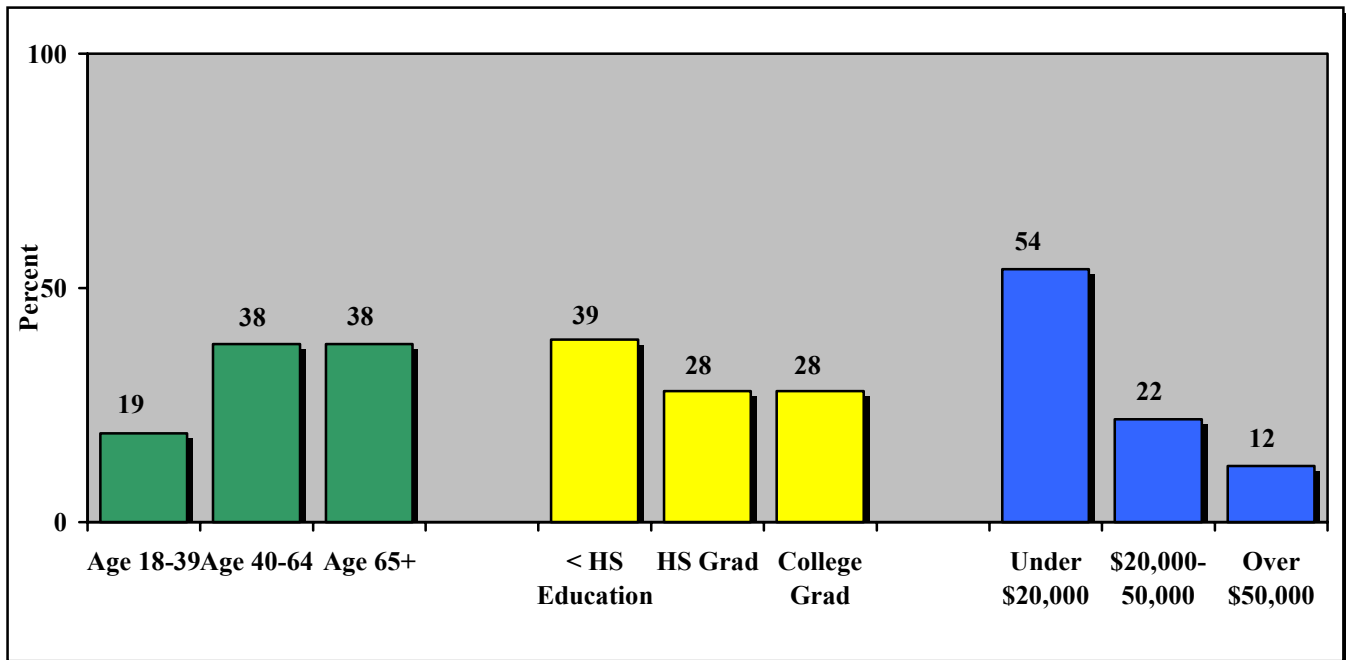
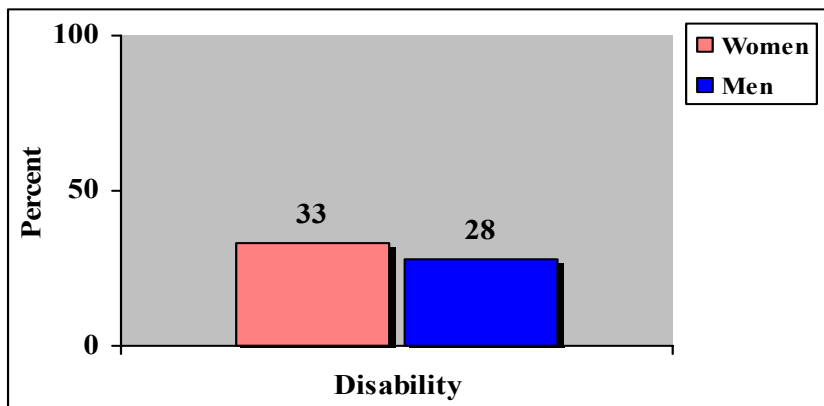


Figure 2: Limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems, by gender



The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems was **higher** among **adult women (33%)** than among **adult men (28%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 2).



## Disability (continued)

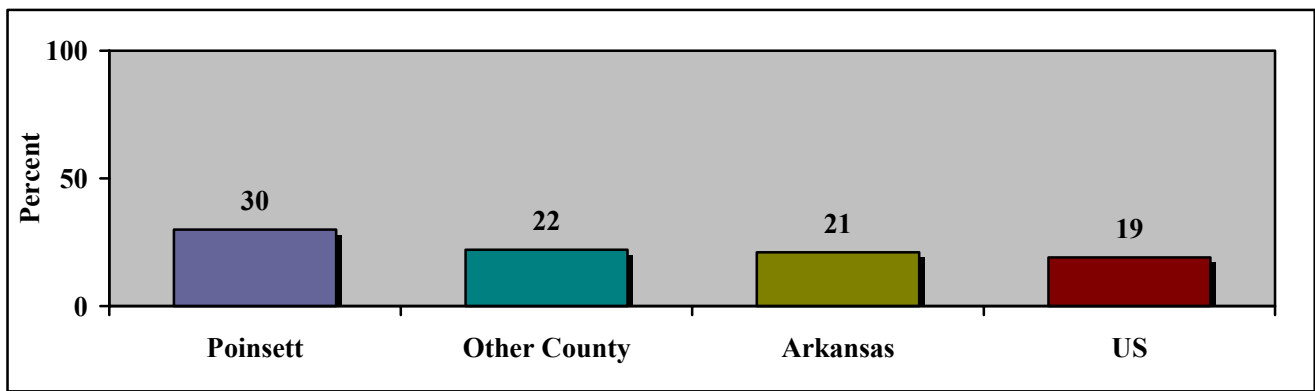
### **How does Poinsett County compare?**

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### **Comparing reported findings on limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems**

- The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems was higher among adults in Poinsett County (30%) than among adults in the neighboring county (22%) (Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problem was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (30%) than among adults in the state (21%), and nation (19%) (Figure 3).

**Figure 3:** Comparing data on limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems



## Disability (continued)

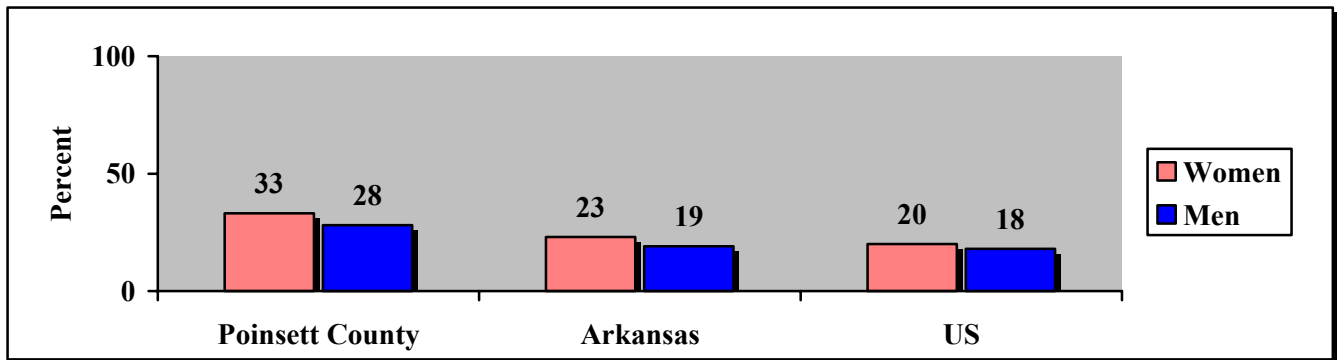
### **How does Poinsett County compare?**

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### **Comparing reported findings on limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems, by gender.**

- The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (33%) than among adult women in the state (23%), and adult women in the nation (20%) (Figure 4).
- The prevalence of reported activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (28%) than among adult men in the state (19%), and in the nation (18%) (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Comparing reported findings on limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems, by gender



## Disability (continued)

### Use of special equipment

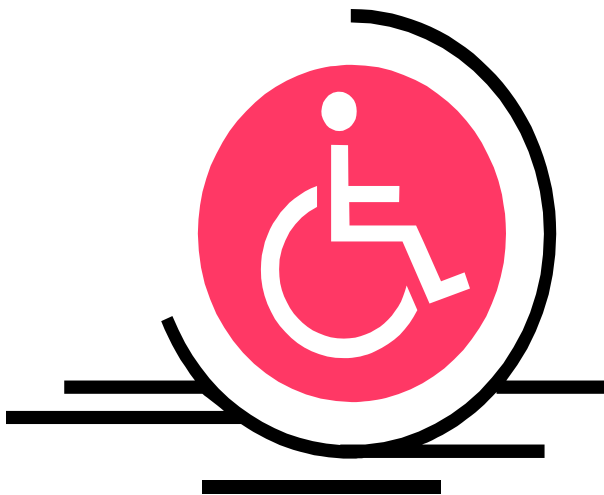
#### **Risk Factor Definition: Use of special equipment**

Question: Do you have any health problem that requires you to use special equipment, such as a cane, a wheelchair, or special telephone?

At Risk: Those who answered “yes” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Ten percent (10%) of adults in Poinsett County reported that they use special equipment.



- The prevalence of reported use of special equipment was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (5%) than among those aged 40-64 years (11%), and respondents 65 years and older (19%) (Table 2 and Figure 5).
- The prevalence of reported use of special equipment was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (21%) than among those respondents with a high school education (7%), and college education (5%) (Table 2 and Figure 5).
- The prevalence of reported use of special equipment was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (22%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (5%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (3%) (Table 2 and Figure 5).

## Disability (continued)

### **Risk Factor Definition: Use of special equipment**

Respondents who reported that they had a health problem that required them to use special equipment, such as a cane, wheelchair, or special telephone.

Table 2: Use of special equipment

Age	(%)	Education	(%)	Income	(%)
18-39	5	<HS Education	21	<\$20,000	22
40-64	11	HS Grad.	7	\$20,000-\$50,000	5
65+	19	College Grad.	5	>\$50,000	3

Figure 5: Use of special equipment

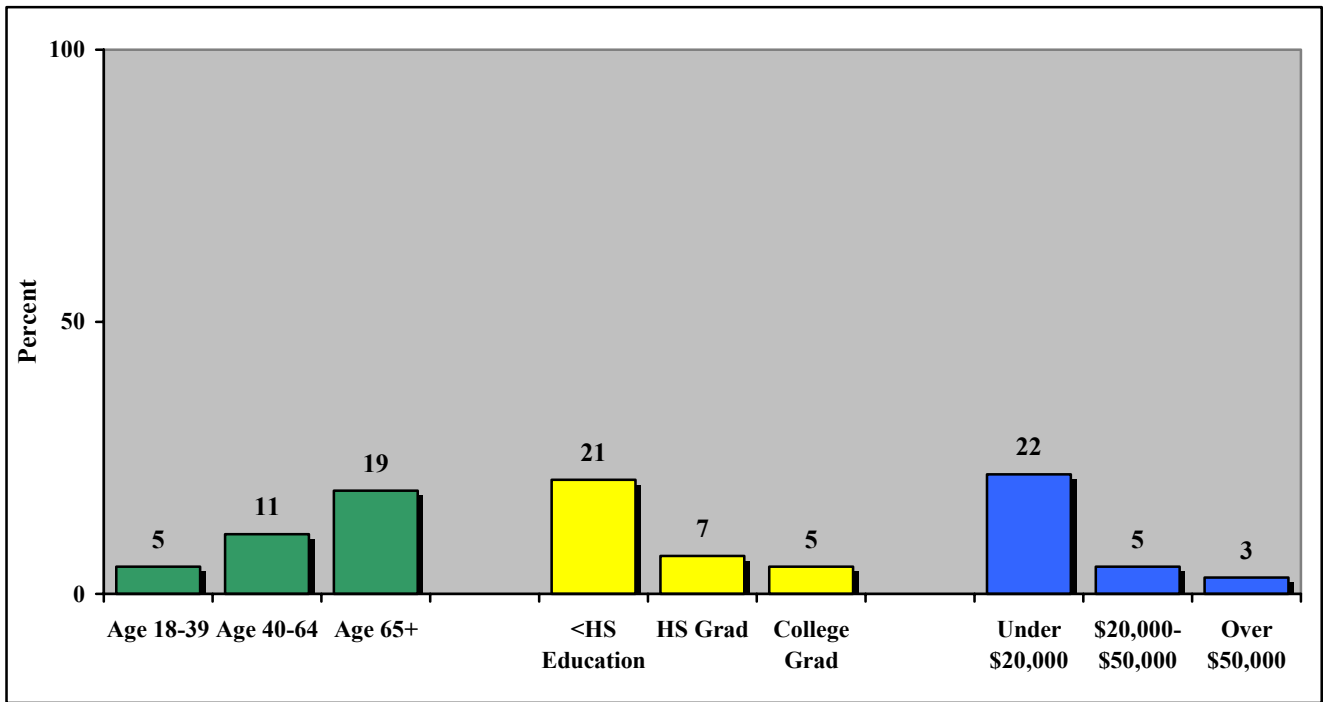
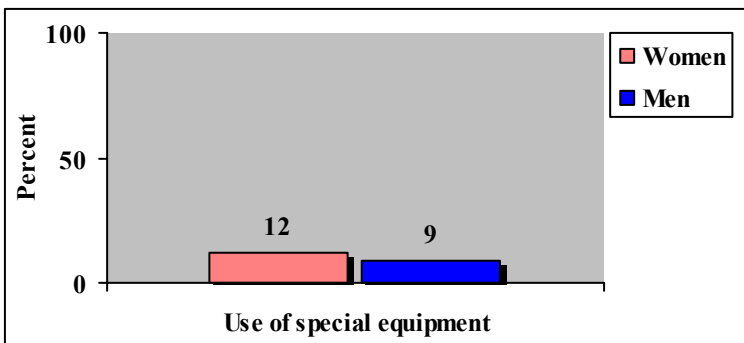


Figure 6: Use of special equipment, by gender



The prevalence of reported use of special equipment such as a cane, wheelchair, or special telephone was **higher** among **adult women (12%)** than among **adult men (9%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 6).

## Disability (continued)

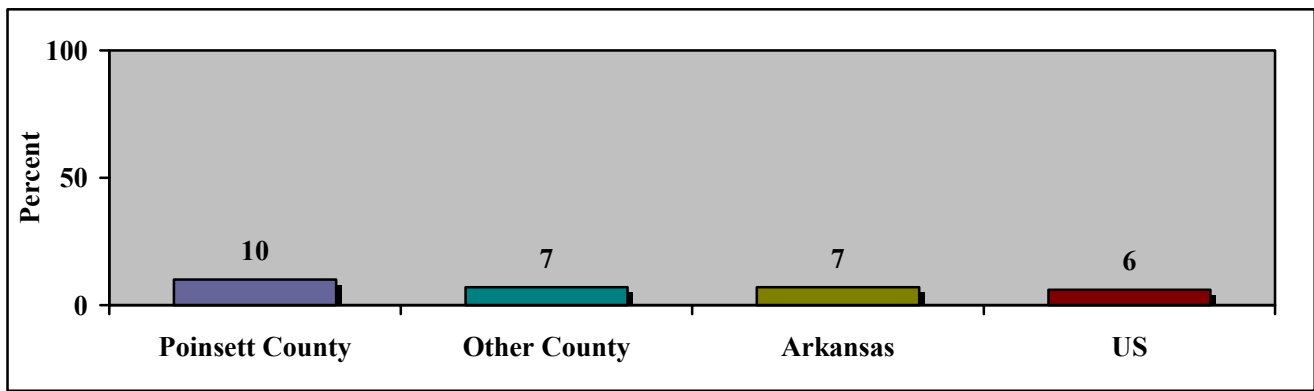
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on use of special equipment

- The prevalence of reported activity use of special equipment was higher among adults in Poinsett County (10%) than among adults in the neighboring county (7%) (Figure 7).
- The prevalence of reported use of special equipment was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (10%) than among adults in the state (7%), and nation (6%) (Figure 7).

Figure 7: Comparing reported findings on use of special equipment



## Disability (continued)

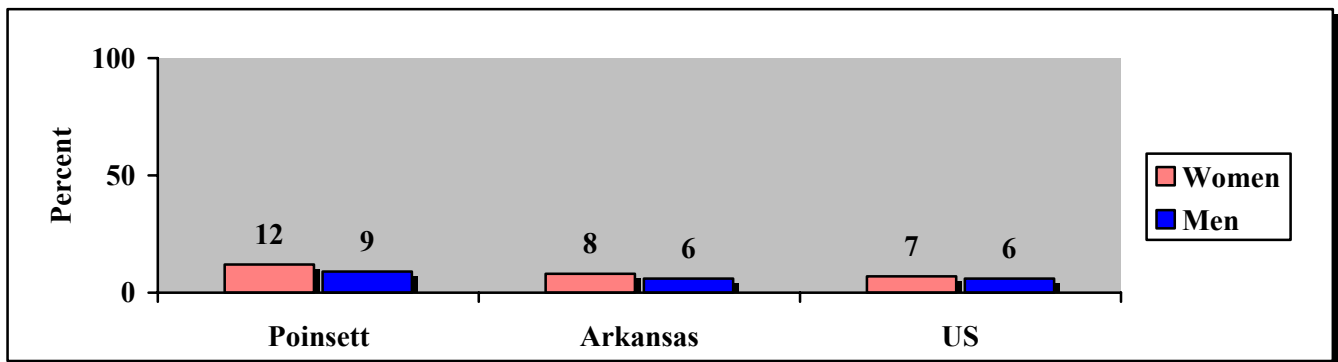
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on use of special equipment, by gender.

- The prevalence of reported use of special equipment was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (12%) than among adult women in the state (8%), and adult women in the nation (7%) (Figure 8).
- The prevalence of reported use of special equipment was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (9%) than among adult men in the state (6%), and in the nation (6%) (Figure 8).

Figure 8: Comparing reported findings on use of special equipment, by gender



## **Disability** (continued)

### **Social and emotional support**

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Do not always get needed social and emotional support**

Question: How often do you get the social and emotional support you need?

At Risk: Those who answered “rarely” or “never” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Thirteen percent (13%) of adults in Poinsett County reported that they rarely or never get needed social and emotional support.
- The prevalence of reported rarely or never get needed social and emotional support was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (13%) than among those aged 40-64 years (12%), and lower than among respondents 65 years and older (15%) (Table 3 and Figure 9).
- The prevalence of reported rarely or never get needed social and emotional support was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (19%) than among those respondents with a high school education (12%), and college education (7%) (Table 3 and Figure 9).
- The prevalence of reported use rarely or never get needed social and emotional support was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (17%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (14%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (6%) (Table 3 and Figure 9).

## Disability (continued)

### **Risk Factor Definition: Do not always get needed social and emotional support**

Respondents who reported that they rarely or never got needed social and emotional support.

Table 3: Social and emotional support

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	13	<HS Education	19	<\$20,000	17
40-64	12	HS Grad.	12	\$20,000-\$50,000	14
65+	15	College Grad.	7	>\$50,000	6

Figure 9: Social and emotional support

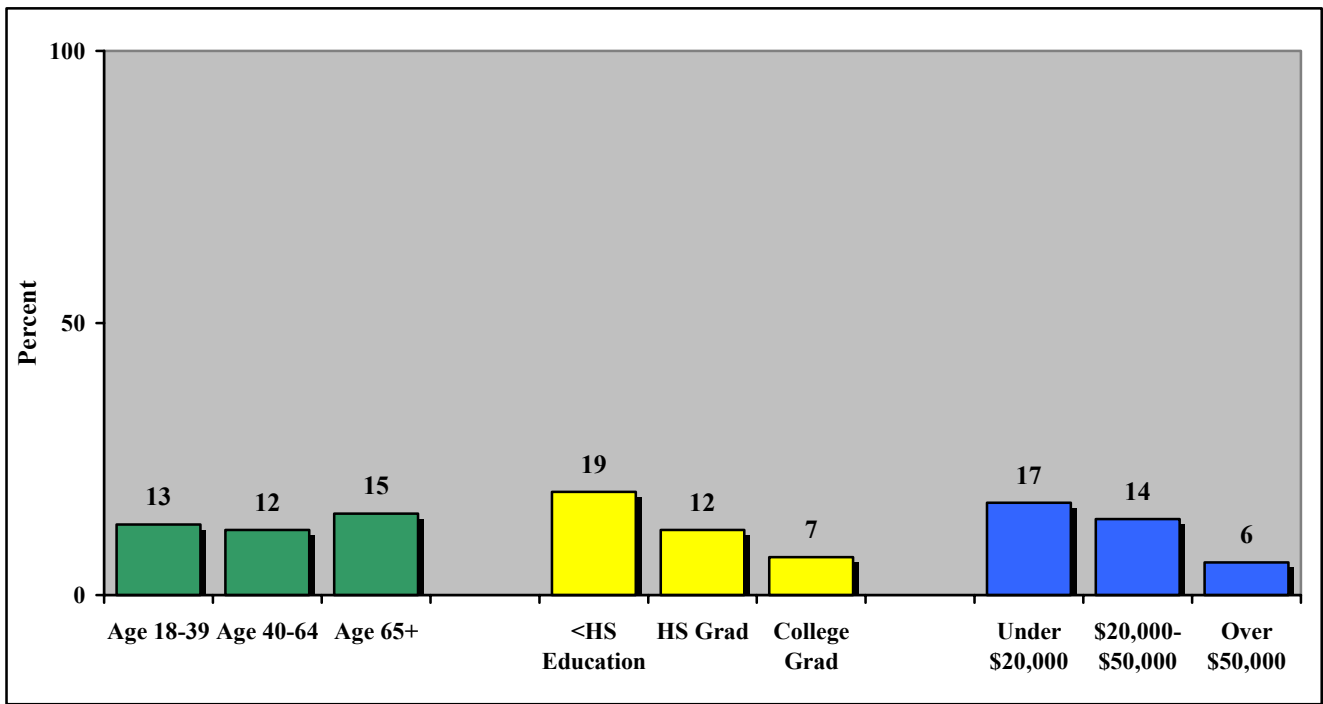
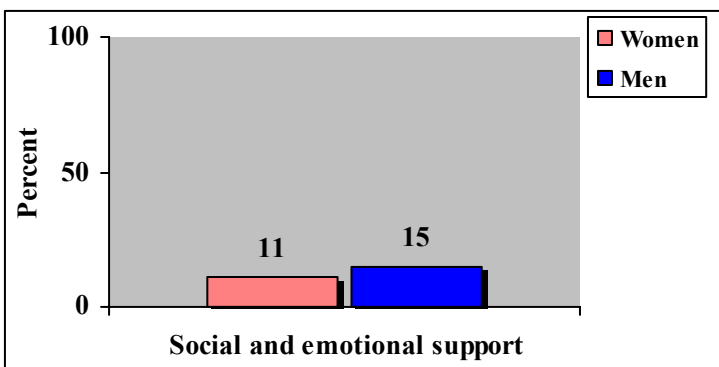


Figure 10: Social and emotional support, by gender



The prevalence of reported rarely or never getting needed social and emotional support was **lower** among **adult women (11%)** than among **adult men (15%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 10).



## Disability (continued)

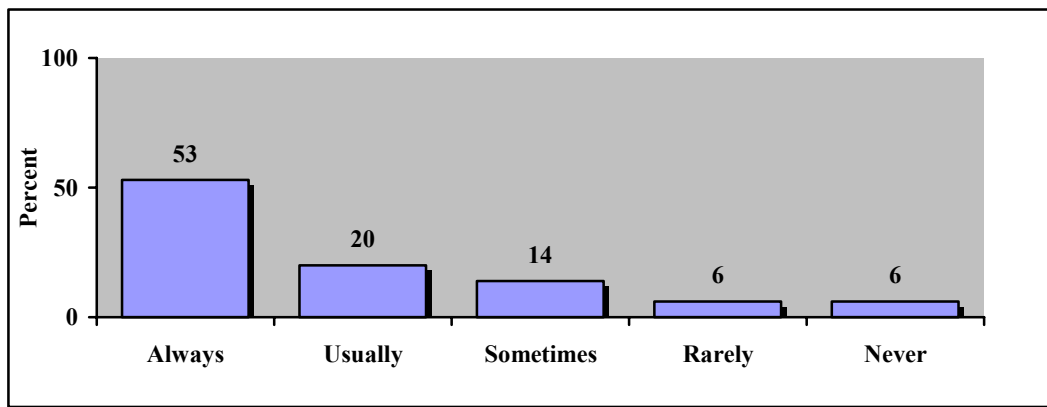
### Social and emotional support

**Question: How often do you get the social and emotional support you need?**

#### **Reported social and emotional support**

- **Fifty-three percent (53%)** of adult respondents reported that they **always** get the social or emotional support they need (Figure 11).
- **Twenty percent (20%)** of adult respondents reported that they **usually** get the social or emotional support they need (Figure 11).
- **Fourteen percent (14%)** of adult respondents reported that they **sometimes** get the social or emotional support they need (Figure 11).
- **Six percent (6%)** of adult respondents reported that they **rarely** get the social or emotional support they need (Figure 11).
- **Six percent (6%)** of adult respondents reported that they **never** get the social or emotional support they need (Figure 11).

**Figure 11:** Frequency of reported social and emotional support



## Disability (continued)

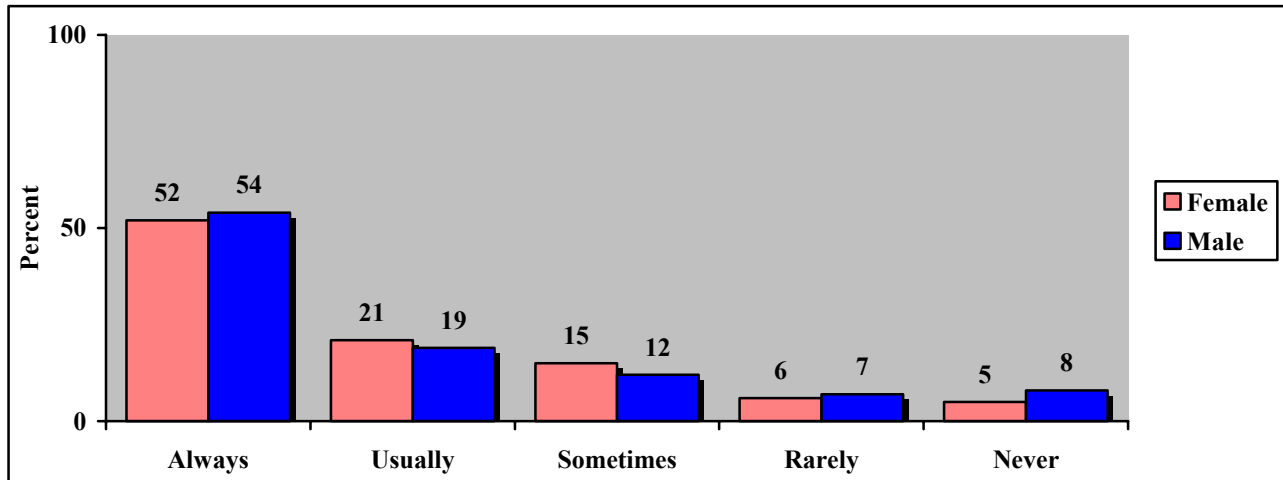
### Social and emotional support

**Question:** How often do you get the social and emotional support you need?

#### Reported social and emotional support, by gender

- **Female adult residents (52%)** in Poinsett County were less likely than **male adult residents (54%)** to report that they always got needed social and emotional support (Figure 12).
- **Female adult residents (5%)** in Poinsett County were less likely than **male adult residents (8%)** to report that they never got needed social and emotional support (Figure 12).

Figure 12: Frequency of reported social and emotional support, by gender



## **Disability** (continued)

### **Dissatisfaction with life**

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Dissatisfaction with life**

Question: In general, how satisfied are with your life?

At Risk: Those who answered “dissatisfied” or “very dissatisfied” are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Nine percent (9%) of adults in Poinsett County reported that they were dissatisfied with life.
- The prevalence of reported dissatisfaction with life was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (13%) than among those aged 40-64 years (7%), and respondents 65 years and older (6%) (Table 4 and Figure 13).
- The prevalence of reported dissatisfaction with life was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (15%) than among those respondents with a high school education (8%), and college education (4%) (Table 4 and Figure 13).
- The prevalence of reported dissatisfaction with life was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (16%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (6%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (4%) (Table 4 and Figure 13).

## Disability (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Dissatisfaction with life

Respondents who reported that they were dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with life.

Table 4: Dissatisfaction with life

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	13	<HS Education	15	<\$20,000	16
40-64	7	HS Grad.	8	\$20,000-\$50,000	6
65+	6	College Grad.	4	>\$50,000	4

Figure 13: Dissatisfaction with life

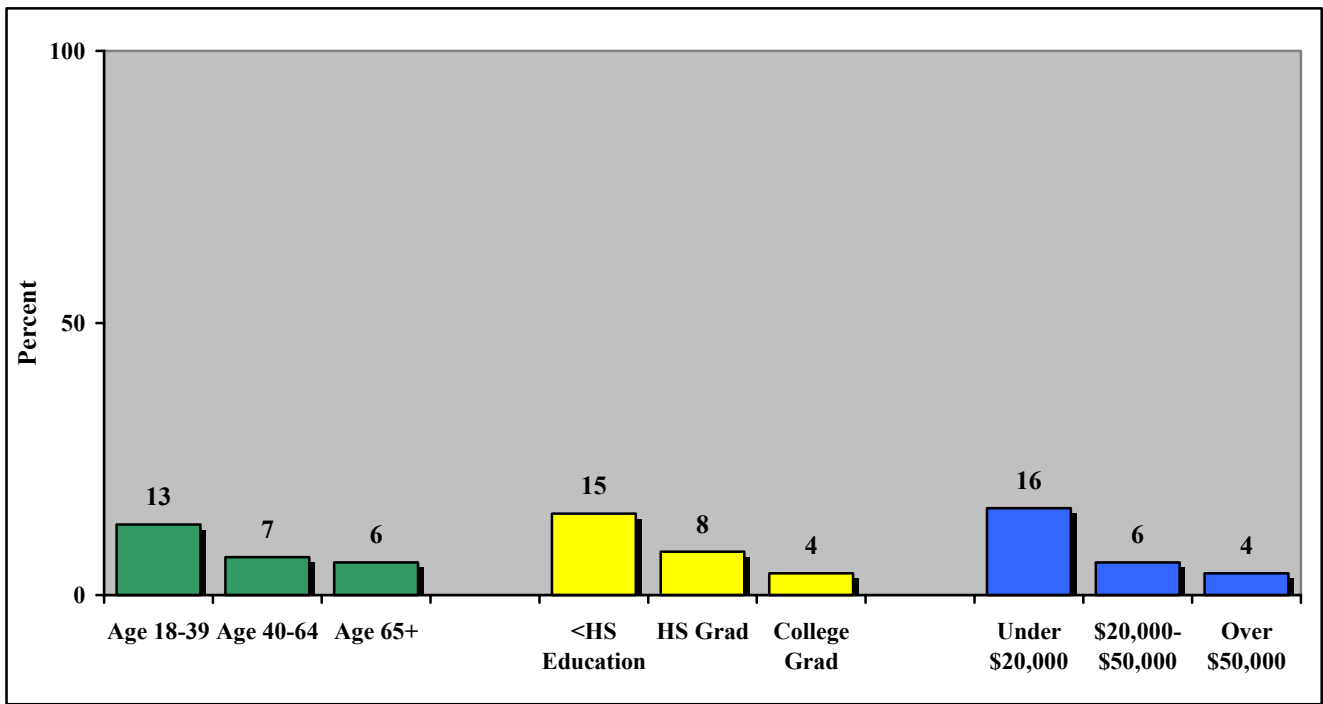
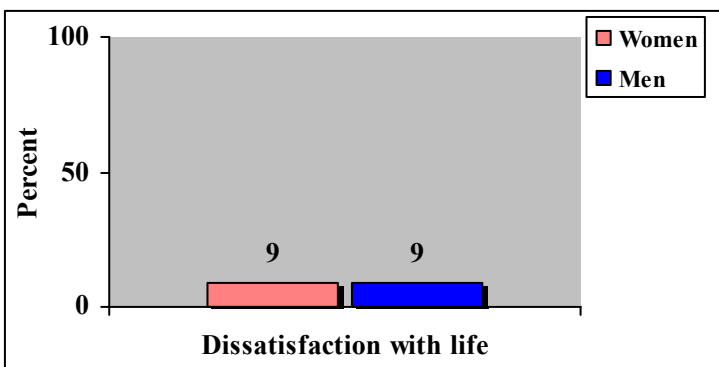


Figure 14: Dissatisfaction with life, by gender



The prevalence of reported dissatisfaction with life was **equal** among **adult women (9%)** and among **adult men (9%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 14).

## Disability (continued)

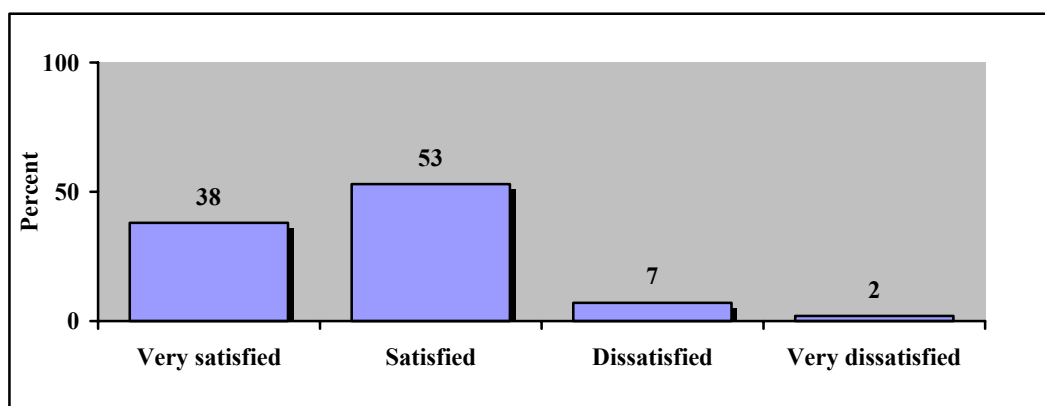
### Dissatisfaction with life

**Question: In general, how satisfied are you with your life?**

#### Reported dissatisfaction with life

- **Thirty-eight percent (38%)** of adult respondents reported that they are **very satisfied** with (Figure 15).
- **Fifty-three percent (53%)** of adult respondents reported that they are **satisfied** with (Figure 15).
- **Seven percent (7%)** of adult respondents reported that they are **dissatisfied** with (Figure 15).
- **Two percent (2%)** of adult respondents reported that they are **very dissatisfied** with (Figure 15).

Figure 15: Reported levels of satisfaction with life



## Disability (continued)

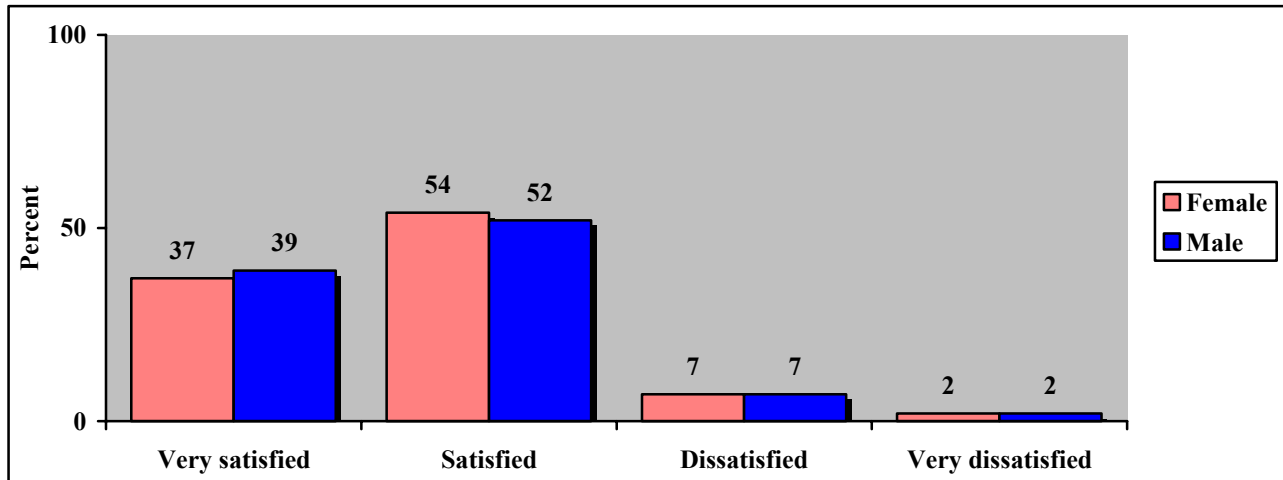
### Dissatisfaction with life

**Question: In general, how satisfied are you with your life?**

#### Reported dissatisfaction with life, by gender

- **Female adult residents (37%)** in Poinsett County were less likely than **male adult residents (39%)** to report that they were very satisfied with life (Figure 16).
- **Female adult residents (2%)** in Poinsett County were equally likely as **male adult residents (2%)** to report that they very dissatisfied with life (Figure 16).

Figure 16: Reported levels of satisfaction with life, by gender



## Alcohol Consumption

Many serious problems are associated with alcohol use. These include violence and injury.

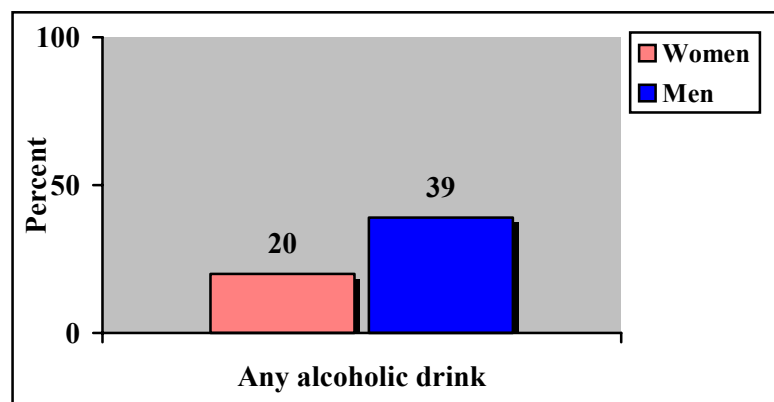
### Any Alcoholic Drink

**Question: During the thirty days preceding the survey, have you had at least one drink of any alcoholic beverage such as beer, wine, a malt beverage or liquor?**

- **Twenty-nine percent (29%)** of the **adults** in Poinsett County reported that they had had at least one drink of an alcoholic beverage in the thirty days preceding the survey.
- **Twenty percent (20%)** of the adult **female** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had had at least one drink of an alcoholic beverage in the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 1).
- **Thirty-nine percent (39%)** of the adult **male** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had had at least one drink of an alcoholic beverage in the thirty days preceding the survey (Figure 1).



Figure 1: Any alcoholic drink, by gender



## Alcohol Consumption (continued)

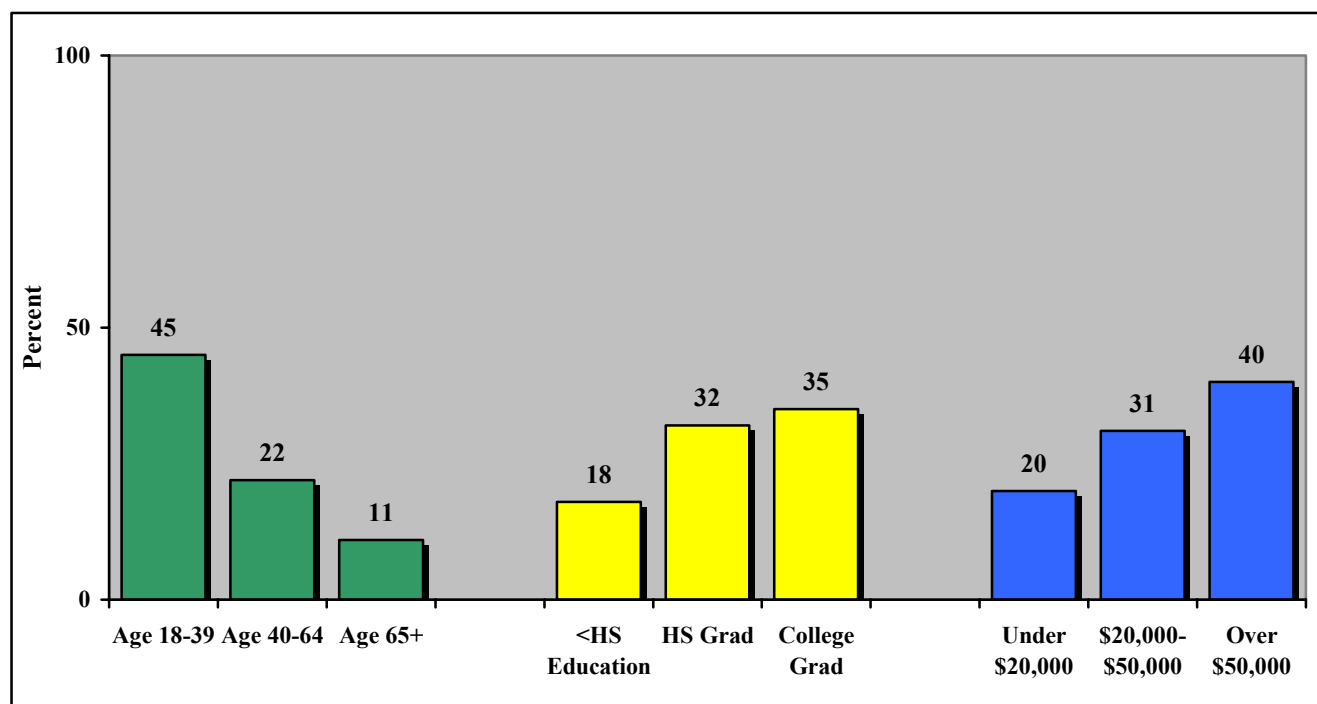
### Any Alcoholic Drink

- The prevalence of reported consumption of alcoholic drink was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (45%) than among those aged 40-64 years (22%), and respondents 65 years and older (11%) (Table 1 and Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported consumption of alcoholic drink was lower among respondents with less than a high school education (18%) than among those respondents with a high school education (32%), and college education (35%) (Table 1 and Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported consumption of alcoholic drink was lower among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (20%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (31%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (40%) (Table 1 and Figure 2).

Table 1: Any alcoholic drink

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	45	<HS Education	18	<\$20,000	20
40-64	22	HS Grad.	32	\$20,000-\$50,000	31
65+	11	College Grad.	35	>\$50,000	40

Figure 2: Any alcoholic drink





## Alcohol Consumption (continued)

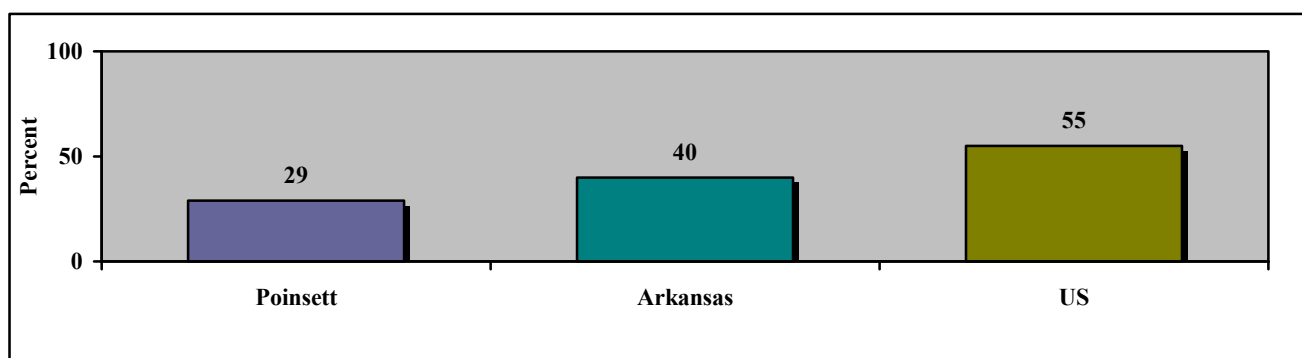
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on consumption of any alcoholic drink

- The prevalence of reported consumption of any alcoholic drink in the thirty days preceding the survey was lower among adults in Poinsett County (29%) than among adults in the state (40%), and among adults in the nation (55%) (Figure 3).

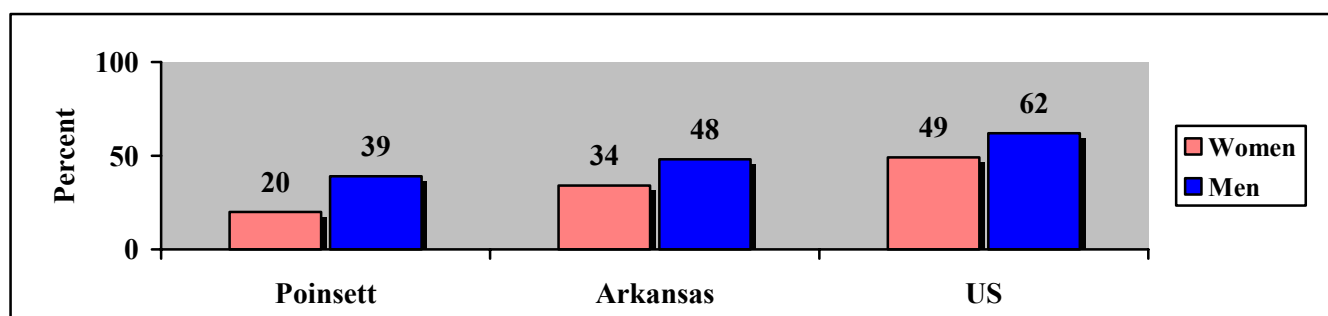
Figure 3: Comparing reported findings on consumption of any alcoholic drink



### Comparing reported findings on consumption of any alcoholic drink, by gender

- The prevalence of reported consumption of any alcoholic drink in the thirty days preceding the survey was lower among adult women in Poinsett County (20%) than among adult women in the state (34%), and nation (49%) (Figure 4).
- The prevalence of reported consumption of any alcoholic drink in the thirty days preceding the survey was lower among adult men in Poinsett County (39%) than among adult men in the state (48%), and nation (62%) (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Comparing reported findings on consumption of any alcoholic drink, by gender



## Alcohol Consumption (continued)

Many serious problems are associated with alcohol use. These include violence and injury.

### **Risk Factor Definition: Binge drinking**

Question: Considering all types of alcoholic beverages, how many times during the past month did you have five or more drinks on one occasion?

At Risk: **Of those respondents who reported that they had at least one alcoholic drink in the thirty days preceding the survey**, those who reported that they had had five or more drinks in a row on one or more occasion during the past month are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Of those who reported drinking at least once in the thirty days preceding the survey, **forty-five percent (45%)** said they had consumed five or more drinks on at least one occasion in the past month.
- Of those who reported drinking at least once in the thirty days preceding the survey, the prevalence of reported binge drinking was **fifty-five percent (55%)** among respondents aged 18-39 years, **thirty-one percent (31%)** among respondents aged 40-64 years, and **six percent (6%)** among respondents 65 years and older (Table 2 and Figure 5).
- Of those who reported drinking at least once in the thirty days preceding the survey, the prevalence of reported binge drinking was **seventy-one percent (71%)** among respondents with less than a high school education, **forty-eight percent (46%)** among those respondents with a high school education, and **eighteen percent (18%)** among those with a college education (Table 2 and Figure 5).
- Of those who reported drinking at least once in the thirty days preceding the survey, the prevalence of reported binge drinking was **forty-four percent (44%)** among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000, **forty-eight percent (48%)** among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000, and **thirty-nine percent (39%)** among those respondents with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (Table 2 and Figure 5).



## Alcohol Consumption (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Binge drinking

Respondents who reported binge drinking.

Table 2: Binge drinking

Age	(%)	Education	(%)	Income	(%)
18-39	55	<HS Education	71	<\$20,000	44
40-64	31	HS Grad.	46	\$20,000-\$50,000	48
65+	6	College Grad.	18	>\$50,000	39

Figure 5: Binge drinking

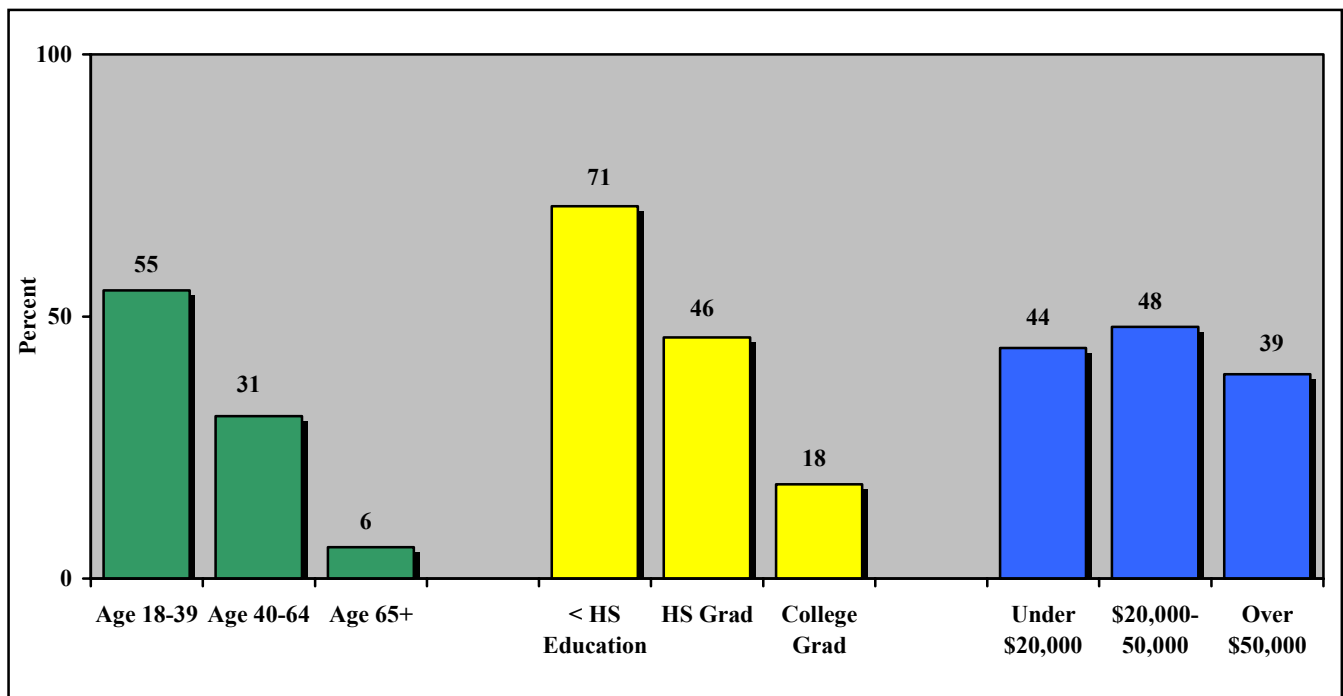
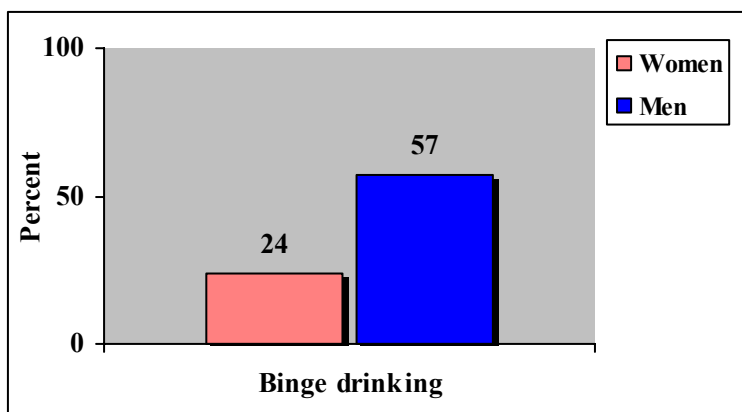


Figure 6: Binge drinking, by gender



Of those adults in Poinsett County who reported drinking at least once in the thirty days preceding the survey, the prevalence of reported binge drinking was **twenty-four percent (24%)** among **adult women**, and **fifty-seven percent (57%)** among **adult men** in Poinsett County (Figure 6).

## Tobacco Use

Questions regarding cigarette smoking, attempts to quit smoking, smoking in the household, and other uses of tobacco were asked as part of the Poinsett County Adult Health Survey. Cigarette smoking is the single most preventable cause of disease and death. Smoking is a major risk factor for heart disease, stroke, lung cancer, and chronic lung disease.

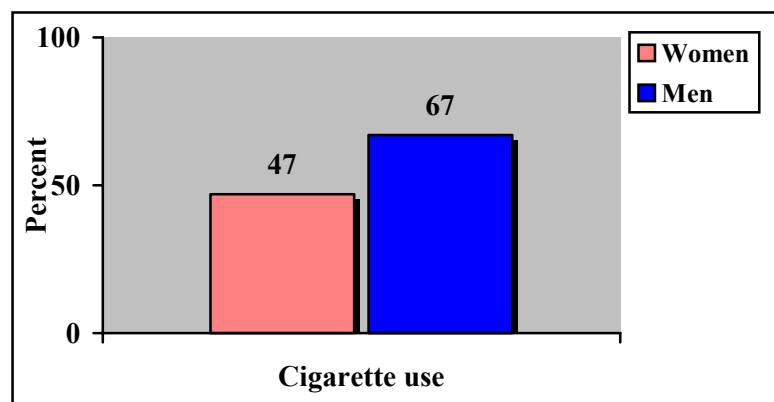
### Cigarette Use

**Question: Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?**



- **Fifty-six percent (56%)** of the **adults** in Poinsett County reported that they had smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their entire lifetime.
- **Forty-seven percent (47%)** of the adult **female** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their entire lifetime (Figure 1).
- **Sixty-seven percent (67%)** of the adult **male** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their entire lifetime (Figure 1).

Figure 1: Cigarette use, by gender



## Tobacco Use (continued)

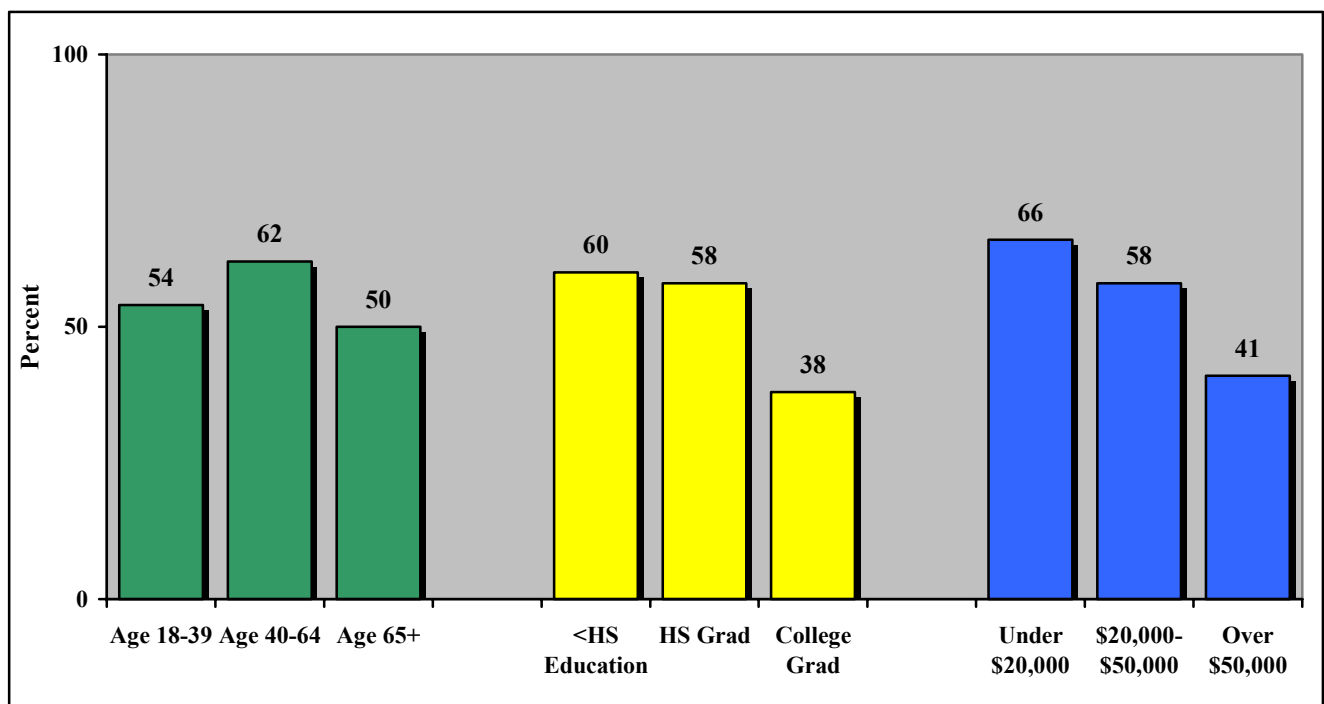
### Cigarette Use

- The prevalence of reported cigarette use was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (54%) than among those aged 40-64 years (62%); and higher than among respondents 65 years and older (50%) (Table 1 and Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported cigarette use was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (60%) than among those respondents with a high school education (58%), and college education (38%) (Table 1 and Figure 2).
- The prevalence of reported cigarette use was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (66%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (58%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (41%) (Table 1 and Figure 2).

Table 1: Cigarette use

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	54	<HS Education	60	<\$20,000	66
40-64	62	HS Grad.	58	\$20,000-\$50,000	58
65+	50	College Grad.	38	>\$50,000	41

Figure 2: Cigarette use



## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Current Cigarette Use

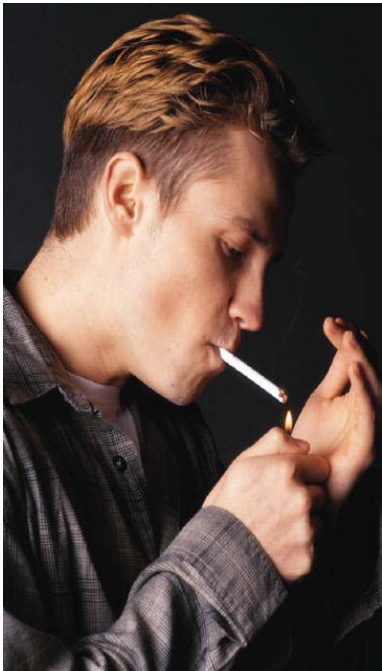
#### **Risk Factor Definition: Currently smoke cigarettes**

Question: Do you smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all?

At Risk: Those respondents who reported that they now smoke cigarettes “every day” or “some days” (i.e. current cigarette use) are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Thirty-four percent (34%) reported current cigarette use.



- The prevalence of reported current cigarette use was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (44%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (36%), and respondents 65 years and older (13%) (Table 2 and Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported current cigarette use was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (40%) than among those respondents with a high school education (35%), and those respondents with a college education (19%) (Table 2 and Figure 3).
- The prevalence of reported current cigarette use was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (49%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (39%), and those respondents with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (16%) (Table 2 and Figure 3).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

### **Risk Factor Definition: Currently smoke cigarettes**

Respondents who reported current cigarette use.

Table 2: Current cigarette use

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	44	<HS Education	40	<\$20,000	49
40-64	36	HS Grad.	35	\$20,000-\$50,000	39
65+	13	College Grad.	19	>\$50,000	16

Figure 3: Current cigarette use

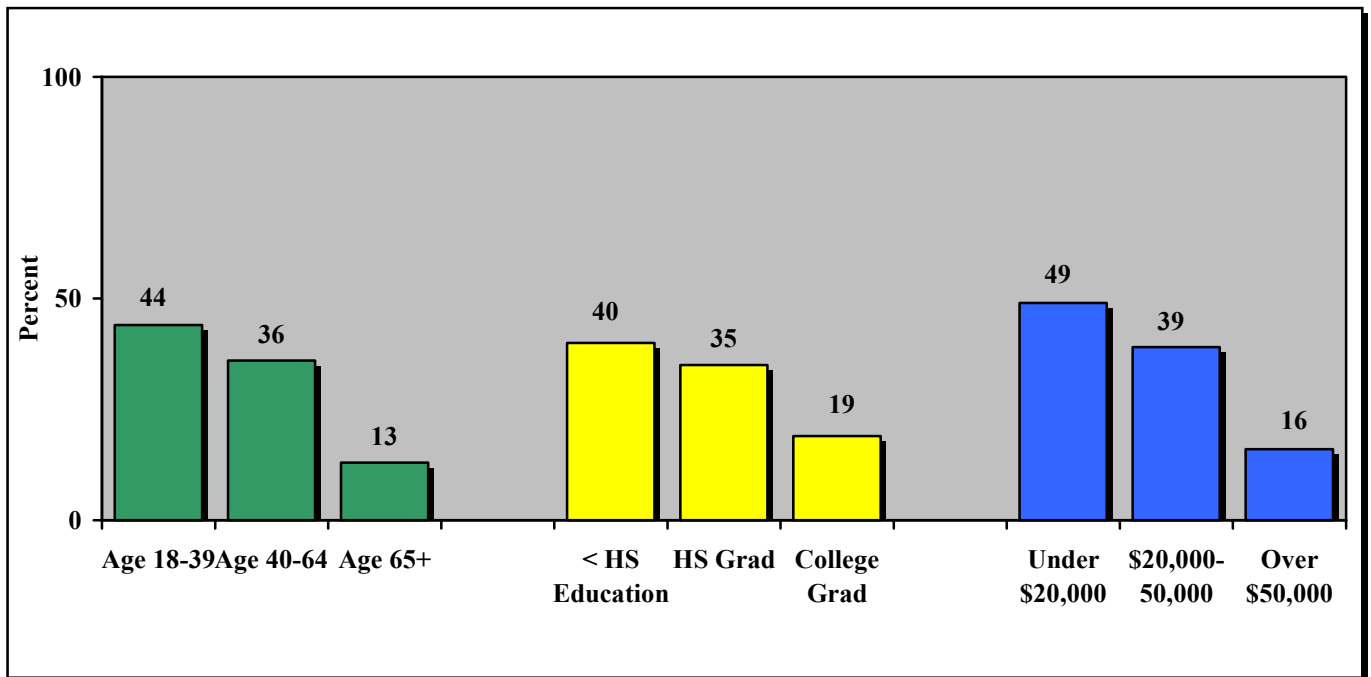
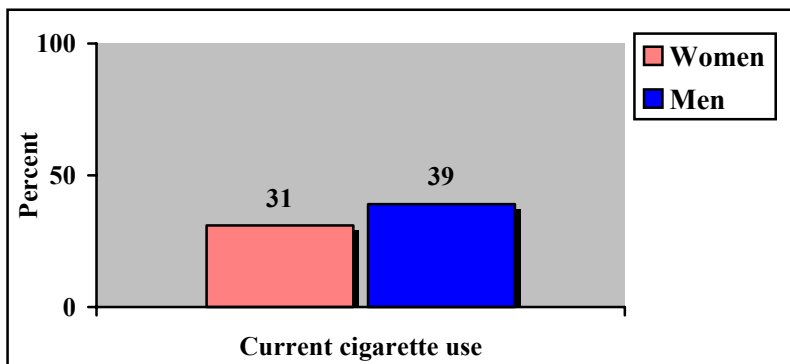


Figure 4: Current cigarette use, by gender



The prevalence of reported current cigarette smoking was **lower** among **adult women (31%)** than among **adult men (39%)** in Poinsett (Figure 4).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

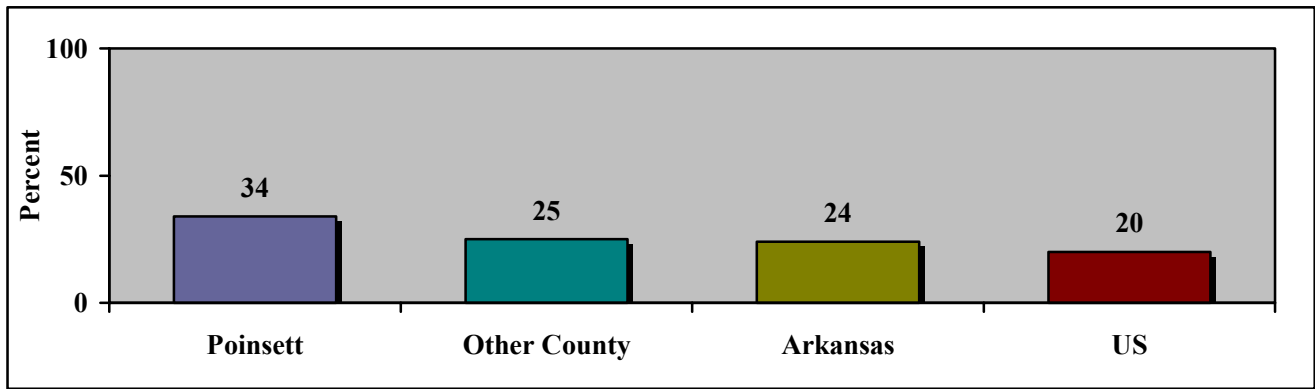
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on current cigarette use

- The prevalence of reported current cigarette use was higher among adults in Poinsett County (34%) than among adults in the neighboring county (25%) (Figure 5).
- The prevalence of reported current cigarette use was also higher among adults in Poinsett County (34%) than among adults in the state (24%), and adults in the nation (20%) (Figure 5).

Figure 5: Comparing reported findings on current cigarette use





## Tobacco Use (continued)

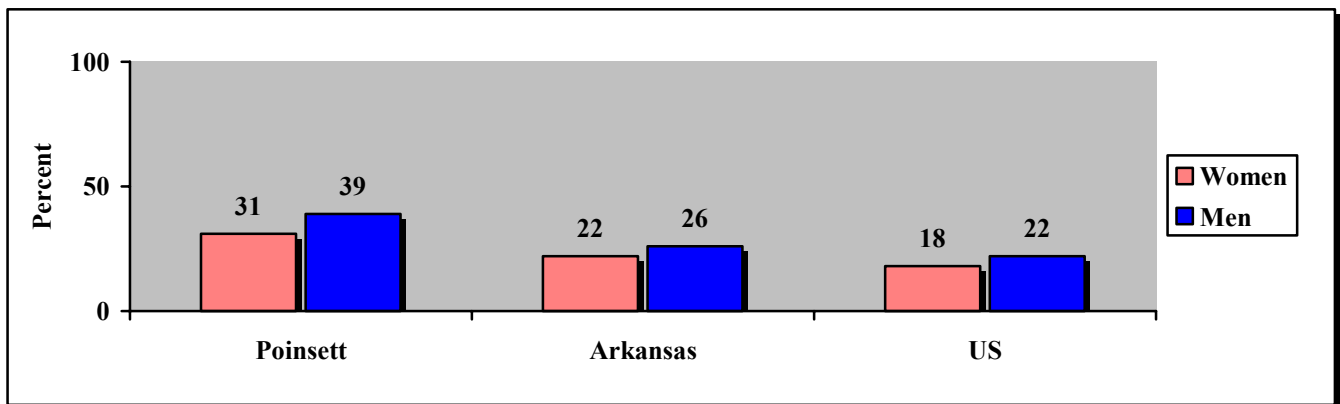
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on current cigarette use, by gender

- The prevalence of reported current cigarette use was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (31%) than among adult women in the state (22%), and adult women in the nation (18%) (Figure 6).
- The prevalence of reported current cigarette use was higher among adult men in Poinsett County (39%) than among adult men in the state (26%), and among adult men in the nation (22%) (Figure 6).

Figure 6: Comparing reported findings on current cigarette use, by gender



## Tobacco Use (continued)


### Cigarette Smoking Cessation

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Smoking cessation**

Question: During the past 12 months, have you quit smoking for one day or longer?

At Risk: **Of those adults who reported current cigarette use**, those respondents who reported that they had made “no” attempt to stop smoking for one day or longer during the twelve months preceding the survey are considered at risk for continued cigarette smoking.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Of those adults in Poinsett County who reported current cigarette use, **forty-eight percent (48%)** had not quit for at least one day in the past year.
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  - Of those adults in Poinsett County who reported current cigarette use, the prevalence of reported made no quit smoking attempts in the twelve months preceding survey was **forty-six percent (46%)** among respondents aged 18-39, **fifty-two percent (52%)** among the respondents aged 40-64 years, and **thirty-four percent (34%)** among respondents 65 years and older (Table 3 and Figure 7).
  - Of those adults in Poinsett County who reported current cigarette use, the prevalence of reported made no quit smoking attempts in the twelve months preceding survey was **fifty-two percent (52%)** among respondents with less than a high school education, **forty-five percent (45%)** a college education (Table 3 and Figure 7).
- Of those adults in Poinsett County who reported current cigarette use, the prevalence of reported made no quit smoking attempts in the twelve months preceding survey was **forty-nine percent (49%)** among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000, **forty-five percent (45%)** among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000 - \$50,000, and **fifty-seven percent (57%)** among respondents with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (Table 3 and Figure 7).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Smoking cessation

**Of those adults who reported current cigarette use**, respondents who reported that they had made no quit smoking attempts in the twelve months preceding survey.

Table 3: No smoking cessation attempt

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	46	<HS Education	52	<\$20,000	49
40-64	52	HS Grad.	45	\$20,000-\$50,000	45
65+	34	College Grad.	53	>\$50,000	57

Figure 7: No smoking cessation attempt

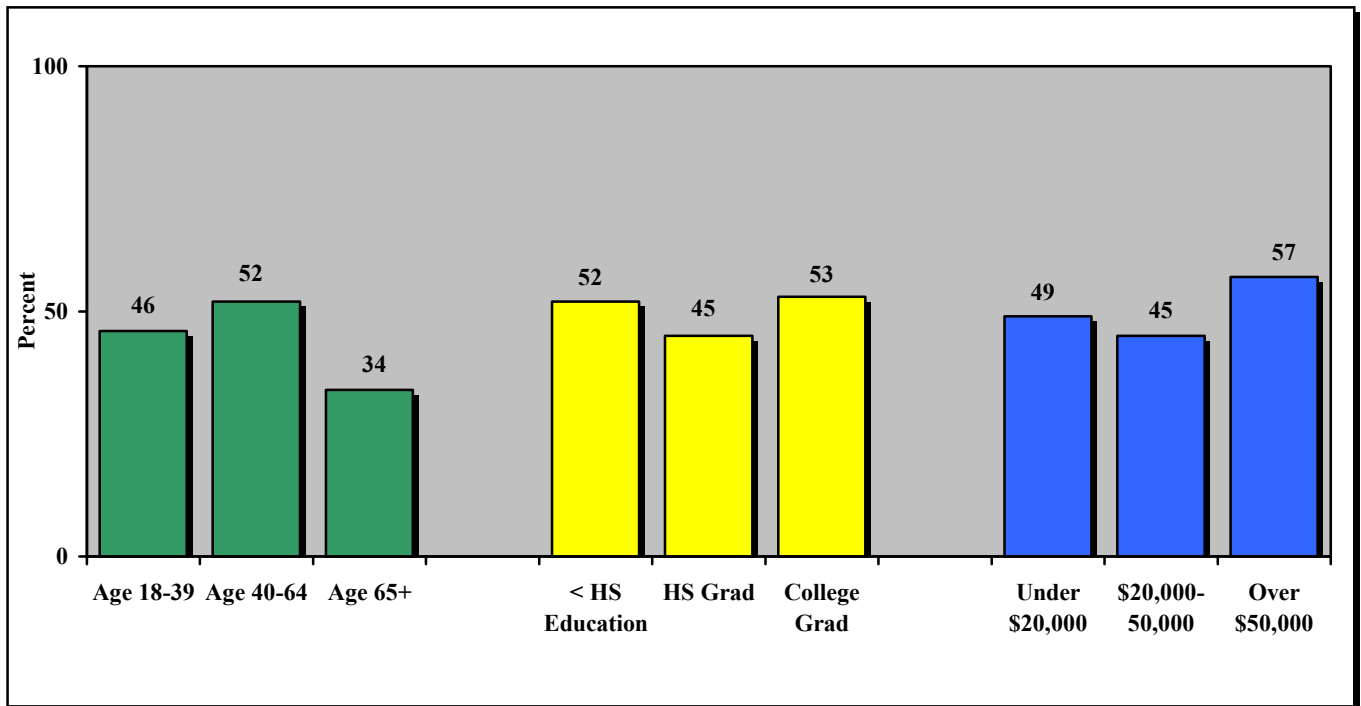
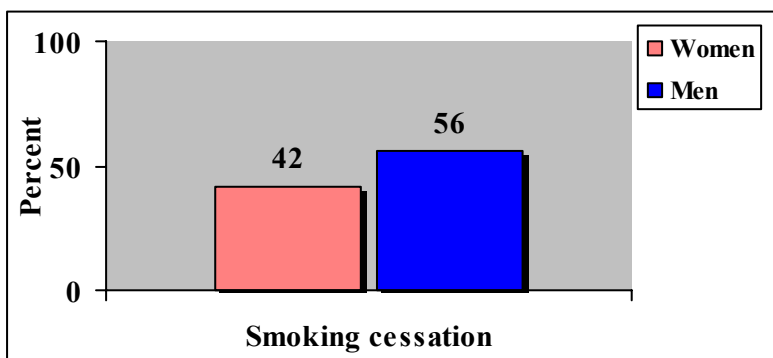


Figure 8: No smoking cessation attempt, by gender



Of those adults who reported that current cigarettes use, the prevalence of reported made no quit smoking attempts in the twelve months preceding survey was **forty-two percent (42%) among adult women** and **fifty-six percent (56%) among adult men** in Poinsett County (Figure 8).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Smokeless Tobacco

**Question: Have you ever used or tried any smokeless tobacco products such as chewing tobacco or snuff?**

- **Twenty-three percent (23%)** of the **adults** in Poinsett County reported that they had used or tried chewing tobacco or snuff.
- **Seven percent (7%)** of the adult **female** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had used or tried chewing tobacco or snuff (Figure 9).
- **Forty percent (40%)** of the adult **male** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had used or tried chewing tobacco or snuff (Figure 9).

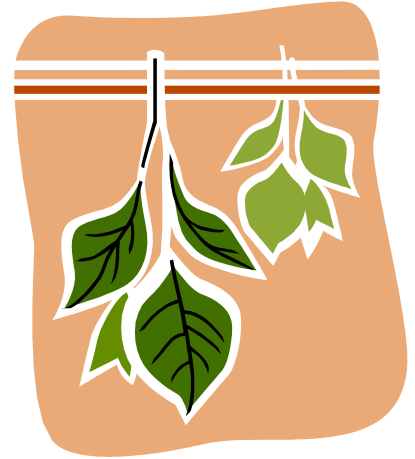
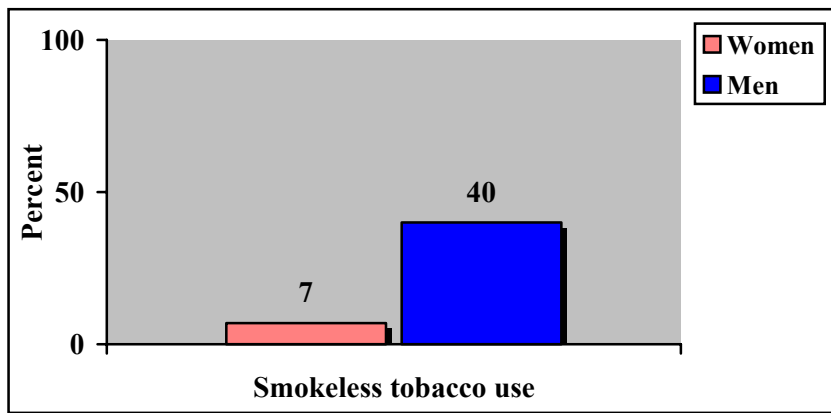


Figure 9: Smokeless tobacco use, by gender



## Tobacco Use (continued)

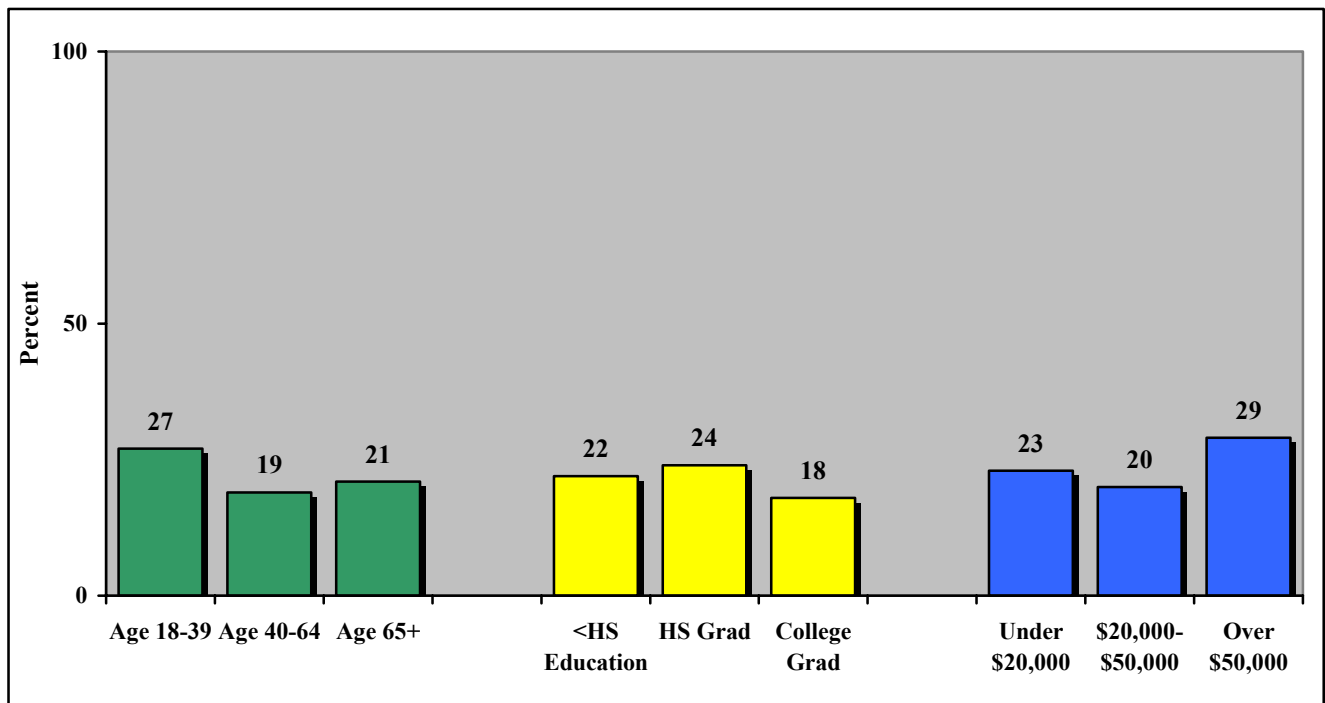
### Smokeless Tobacco

- The prevalence of reported smokeless tobacco use was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (27%) than among those aged 40-64 years (19%), and among respondents 65 years and older (21%) (Table 4 and Figure 10).
- The prevalence of reported smokeless tobacco use was lower among respondents with less than a high school education (22%) than among those respondents with a high school education (24%); and higher than among those with a college education (18%) (Table 4 and Figure 10).
- The prevalence of reported smokeless tobacco use was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (23%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (20%); and lower than among those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (29%) (Table 4 and Figure 10).

Table 4: Smokeless tobacco use

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	27	<HS Education	22	<\$20,000	23
40-64	19	HS Grad.	24	\$20,000-\$50,000	20
65+	21	College Grad.	18	>\$50,000	29

Figure 10: Smokeless tobacco use



## Tobacco Use (continued)


### Current Smokeless Tobacco Use

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Current use of smokeless tobacco**

Question: Do you currently use chewing tobacco or snuff every day, some days, or not at all?

At Risk: **Of those respondents who reported that they had ever tried chewing tobacco or snuff**, those who answered “every day” or “some days” (i.e. current chewing tobacco or snuff users) are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Of those who responded that they had used or tried chewing tobacco or snuff, **twenty-four percent (24%)** reported current chewing tobacco or snuff use.
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- Of those who reported that they had used or tried chewing tobacco or snuff, the prevalence of reported current chewing tobacco or snuff use was **twenty-one percent (21%)** among those respondents aged 18-39 years, **twenty-one percent (21%)** among respondents aged 40-64 years, and **thirty-seven percent (37%)** among respondents 65 years and older (Table 5 and Figure 11).
  - Of those who reported that they had used or tried chewing tobacco or snuff, the prevalence of reported current chewing tobacco or snuff use was **thirty-six percent (36%)** among those respondents with less than a high school education, **twenty percent (20%)** among respondents with a high school education, and **twenty-three percent (23%)** among those with a college education (Table 5 and Figure 11).
  - Of those who reported that they had used or tried chewing tobacco or snuff, the prevalence of reported current chewing tobacco or snuff use was **thirty percent (30%)** among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000, **twenty-six percent (26%)** among respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000, and **fifteen percent (15%)** among those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (Table 5 and Figure 11).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Current smokeless tobacco use

Of those who responded that they had used or tried chewing tobacco or snuff, those adults who reported current chewing tobacco or snuff use.

Table 5: Current smokeless tobacco use

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	21	<HS Education	36	<\$20,000	30
40-64	21	HS Grad.	20	\$20,000-\$50,000	26
65+	37	College Grad.	23	>\$50,000	15

Figure 11: Current smokeless tobacco use

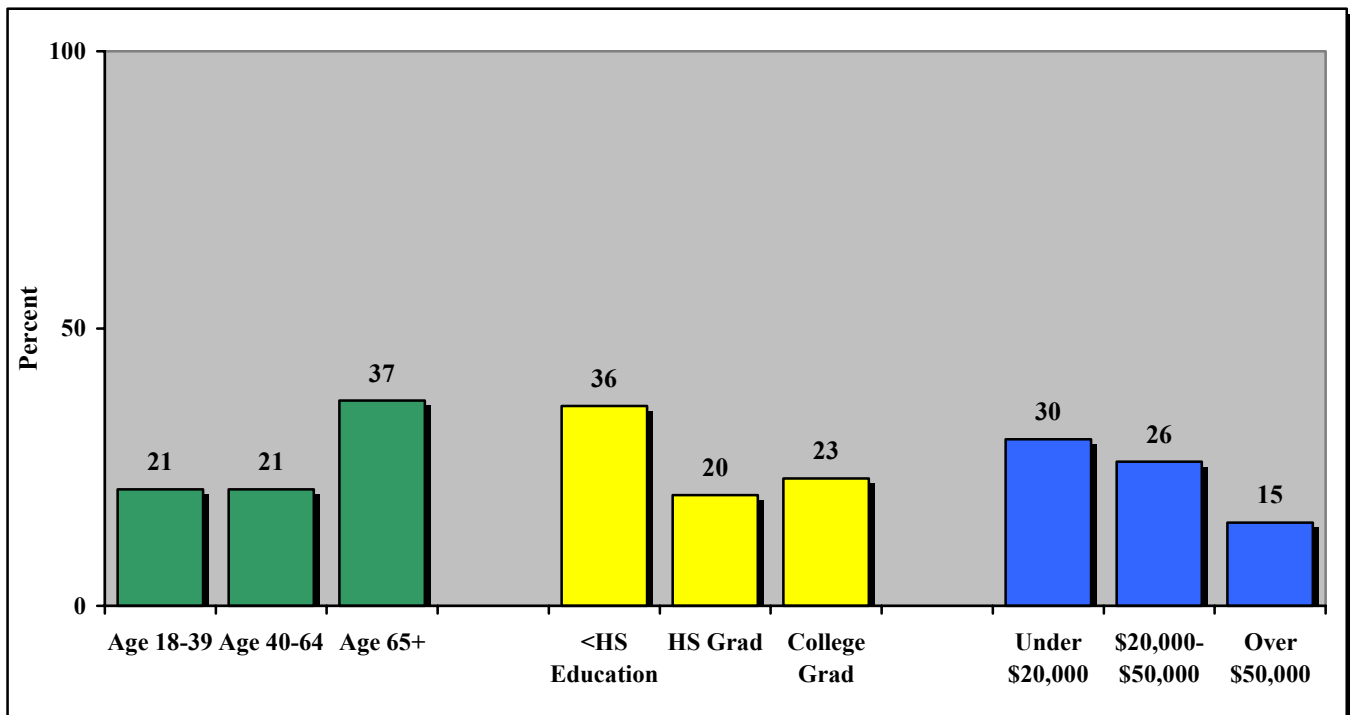
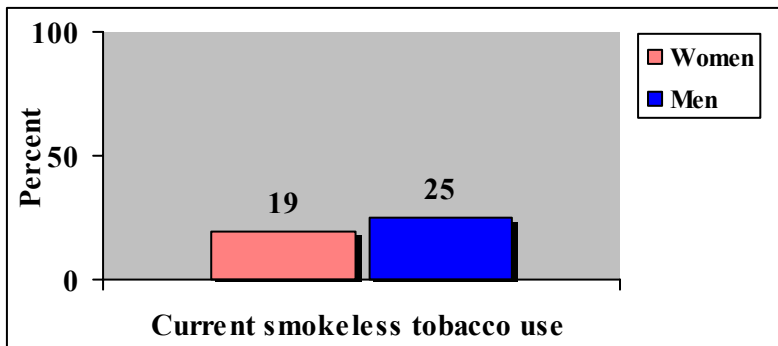


Figure 12: Current smokeless tobacco, by gender



Of those adult residents in Poinsett County who reported that they had used or tried chewing tobacco or snuff, the reported prevalence of current smokeless tobacco use was **nineteen percent (19%)** among **adult women**, and **twenty-five percent (25%)** among **adult men** in Poinsett County (Figure 12).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

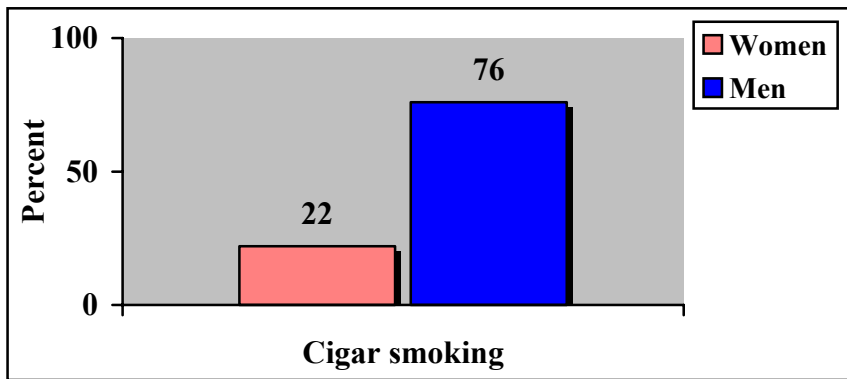
### Cigar Smoking

**Question: Have you ever smoked a cigar, even one or two puffs?**

- **Forty-eight percent (48%)** of the **adults** in Poinsett County reported that they had smoked a cigar, even one or two puffs.
- **Twenty-two percent (22%)** of the **adult female** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had smoked a cigar, even one or two puffs (Figure 13).
- **Seventy-six percent (76%)** of the **adult male** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had smoked a cigar, even one or two puffs (Figure 13).



Figure 13: Cigar smoking, by gender





## Tobacco Use (continued)

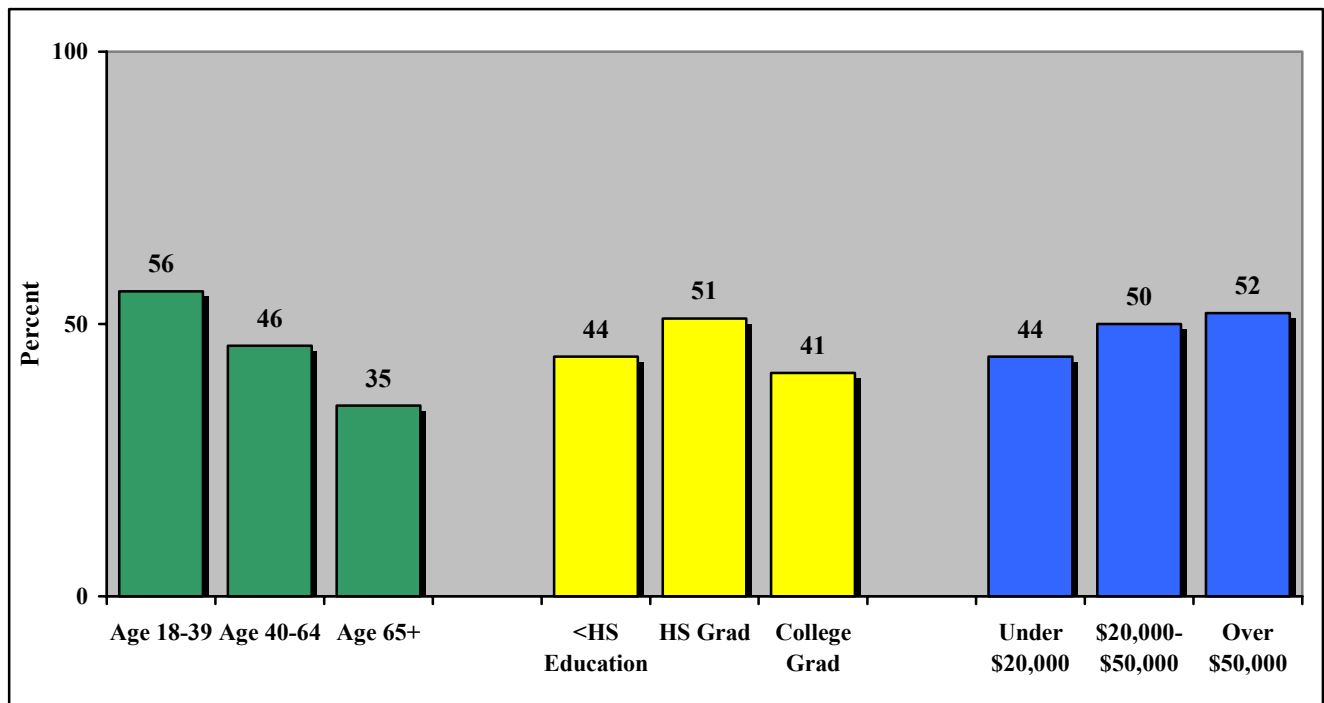
### Cigar smoking

- The prevalence of reported cigar smoking was higher among respondents aged 18-39 years (56%) than among those aged 40-64 years (46%), and among respondents 65 years and older (35%) (Table 6 and Figure 14).
- The prevalence of reported cigar smoking was lower among respondents with less than a high school education (44%) than among those respondents with a high school education (51%); and higher than among those with a college education (41%) (Table 6 and Figure 14).
- The prevalence of reported cigar smoking was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (44%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (50%); and lower than among those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (52%) (Table 6 and Figure 14).

Table 6: Cigar smoking

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	56	<HS Education	44	<\$20,000	44
40-64	46	HS Grad.	51	\$20,000-\$50,000	50
65+	35	College Grad.	41	>\$50,000	52

Figure 14: Cigar smoking



## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Current Cigar Smoking

#### Risk Factor Definition: Current cigar smoking

Question: Do you smoke cigars every day, some days, or not at all?

At Risk: **Of those respondents who reported that they had ever smoked a cigar**, those who answered “every day” or “some days” (i.e. current cigar smokers) are considered at risk.

#### Who is at risk in Poinsett County?

- Of those who reported that they had smoked cigars, **fifteen percent (15%)** of the adults in Poinsett County reported current cigar use.



- Of those who responded that they had smoked cigars, the prevalence of reported current cigar use was **nineteen percent (19%)** among those respondents aged 18-39 years, **fifteen percent (15%)** among respondents aged 40-64 years, and **less than one percent (<1%)** among respondents 65 years and older (Table 7 and Figure 15).
- Of those who responded that they had smoked cigars, the prevalence of reported current cigar use was **seventeen percent (17%)** among respondents with less than a high school education, **sixteen percent (16%)** among those respondents with a high school education, and **seven percent (7%)** among respondents with a college education (Table 7 and Figure 15).
- Of those who responded that they had smoked cigars, the prevalence of reported current cigar use was **twenty-seven percent (27%)** among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000, **eight percent (8%)** among respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000, and **fifteen percent (15%)** among those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (Table 7 and Figure 15).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Current cigar smoking

Of those respondents who reported that they had smoked cigars, those who reported current cigar use.

Table 7: Current cigar smoking

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	19	<HS Education	17	<\$20,000	27
40-64	15	HS Grad.	16	\$20,000-\$50,000	8
65+	0	College Grad.	7	>\$50,000	15

Figure 15: Current cigar smoking

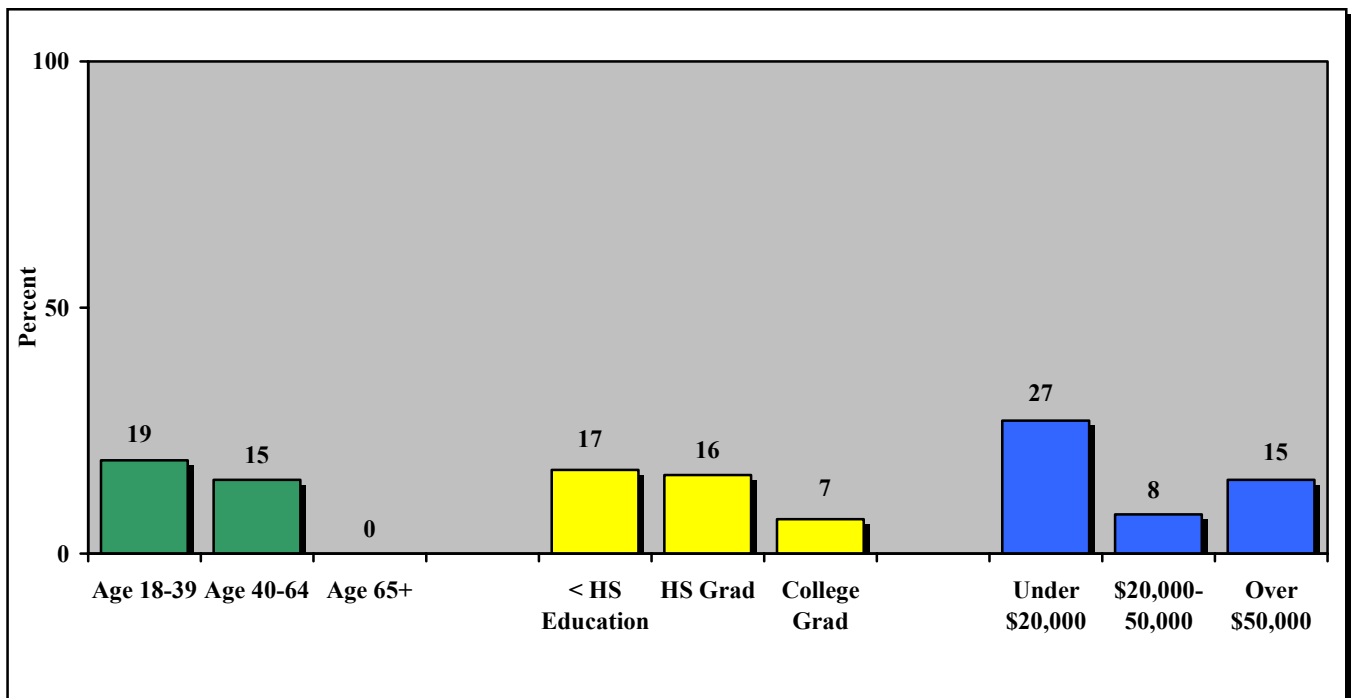
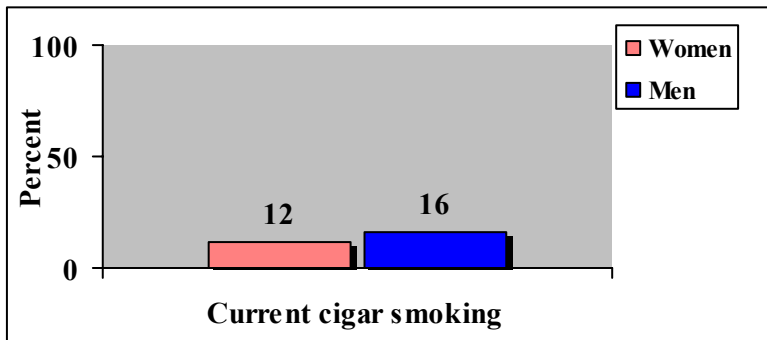


Figure 16: Current cigar smoking, by gender



Of those adult women in Poinsett County who reported that they had smoked cigars, the reported prevalence of current cigar use was **twelve percent (12%)**. Of those adult men in Poinsett County who reported that they had smoked cigars, the reported prevalence of current cigar use was **sixteen percent (16%)** (Figure 16).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

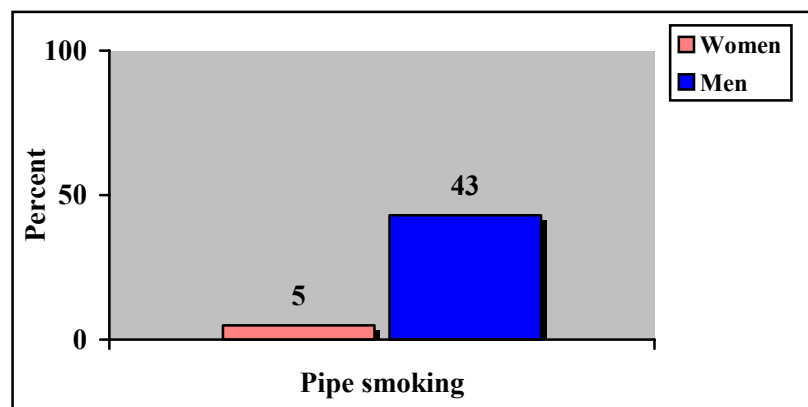
### Pipe Smoking

**Question: Have you ever smoked tobacco in a pipe, even one or two puffs?**



- **Twenty-three percent (23%)** of the **adults** in Poinsett County reported that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, even one or two puffs.
- **Five percent (5%)** of the adult **female** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, even one or two puffs (Figure 17).
- **Forty-three percent (43%)** of the adult **male** residents in Poinsett County reported that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, even one or two puffs (Figure 17).

Figure 17: Pipe smoking, by gender



## Tobacco Use (continued)

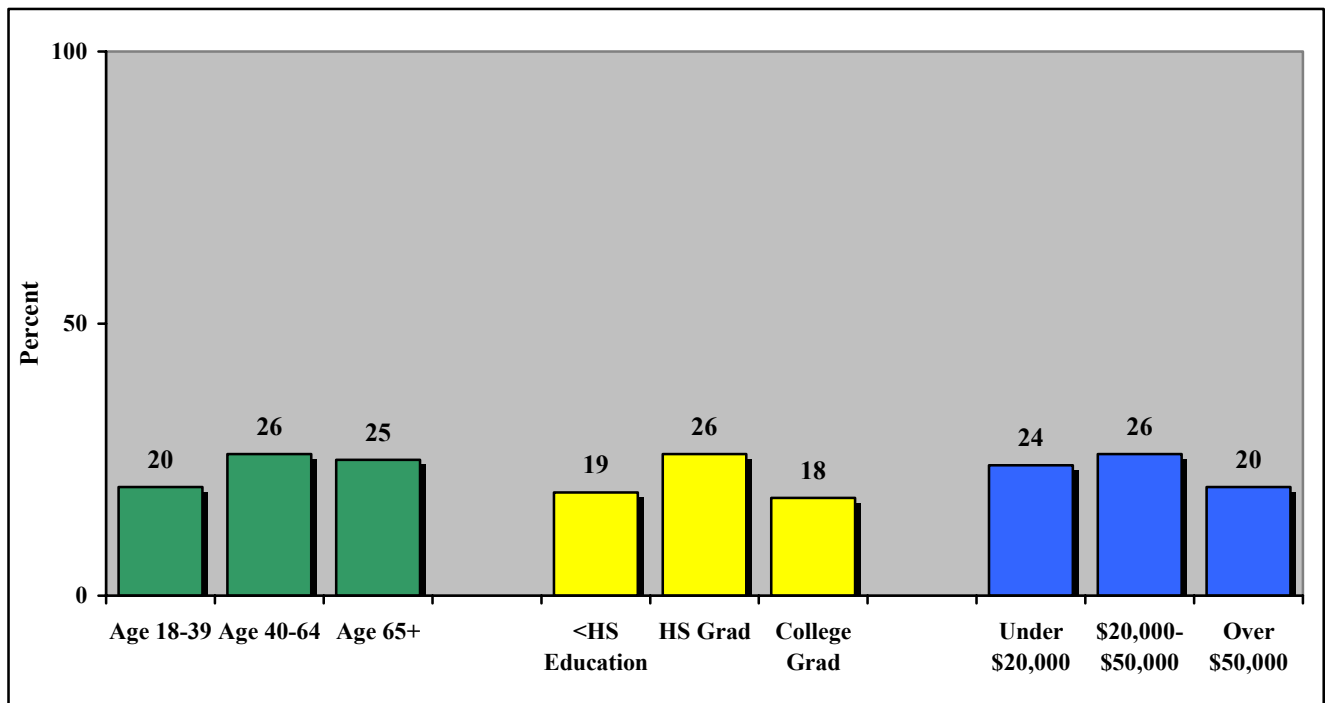
### Pipe smoking

- The prevalence of reported pipe smoking was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (20%) than among those aged 40-64 years (26%), and among respondents 65 years and older (25%) (Table 8 and Figure 18).
- The prevalence of reported pipe smoking was lower among respondents with less than a high school education (19%) than among those respondents with a high school education (26%); and higher than among those with a college education (18%) (Table 8 and Figure 18).
- The prevalence of reported pipe smoking was lower among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (24%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (26%); and higher than among those with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (20%) (Table 8 and Figure 18).

Table 8: Pipe smoking

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	20	<HS Education	19	<\$20,000	24
40-64	26	HS Grad.	26	\$20,000-\$50,000	26
65+	25	College Grad.	18	>\$50,000	20

Figure 18: Pipe smoking



## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Current Pipe Smoking

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Current pipe smoking**

Question: Do you now smoke a pipe every day, some days, or not at all?

At Risk: **Of those respondents who reported that they had ever smoked a pipe**, those adults who answered “every day” or “some days” (i.e. current pipe smokers) are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Of those who responded that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, **six percent (6%)** of the adults in Poinsett County reported current pipe smoking.
- Of those who responded that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, the prevalence of reported current pipe smoking was **fifteen percent (15%)** among respondents aged 18-39 years, **two percent (2%)** among respondents aged 40-64 years, and **less than one percent (<1%)** among respondents 65 years and older (Table 9 and Figure 19).
- Of those who responded that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, the prevalence of reported current pipe smoking was **one percent (1%)** among those respondents with less than a high school education, **eight percent (8%)** among those respondents with a high school education, and **less than one percent (<1%)** among those with a college education (Table 9 and Figure 19).
- Of those who responded that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, the prevalence of reported current pipe smoking **less than one percent (<1%)** among respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000, **seven percent (7%)** among those with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000, and **four percent (4%)** among those respondents with annual household income of over \$50,000 (Table 9 and Figure 19).



## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Current pipe smoking

Of those who responded that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, those adults who reported current pipe smoking.

Table 9: Current pipe smoking

Age	(%)	Education	(%)	Income	(%)
18-39	15	<HS Education	1	<\$20,000	0
40-64	2	HS Grad.	8	\$20,000-\$50,000	7
65+	0	College Grad.	0	>\$50,000	4

Figure 19: Current pipe smoking

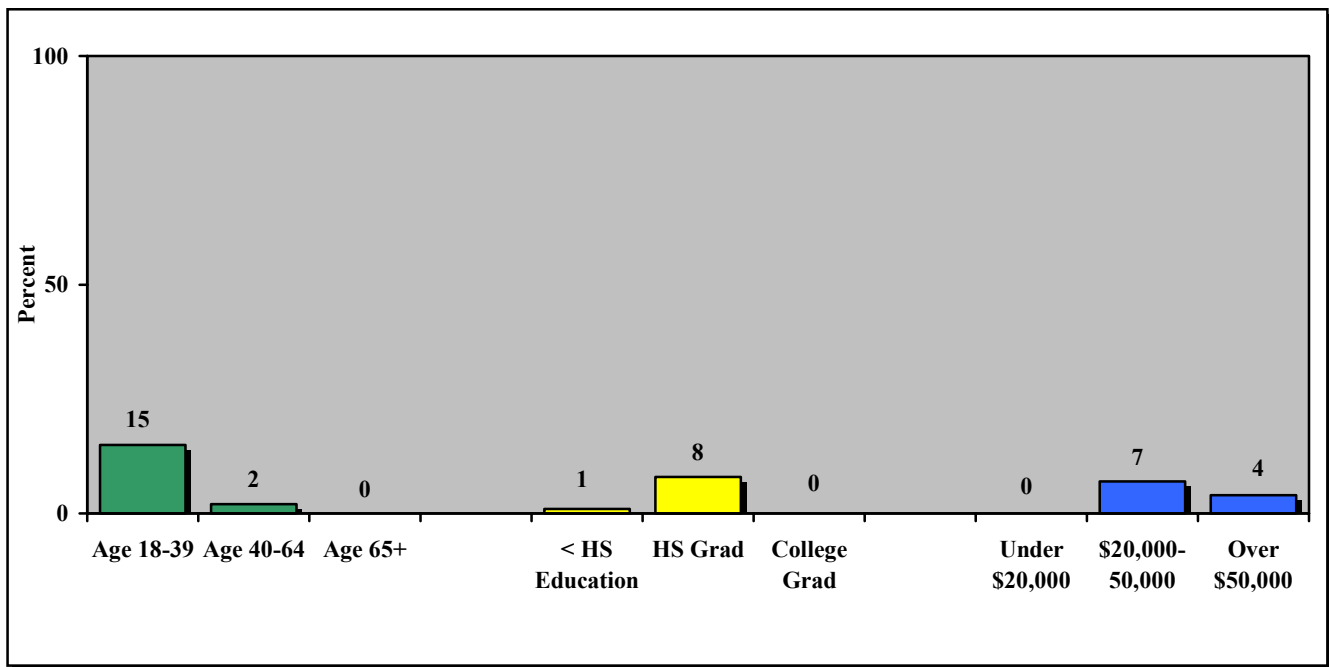
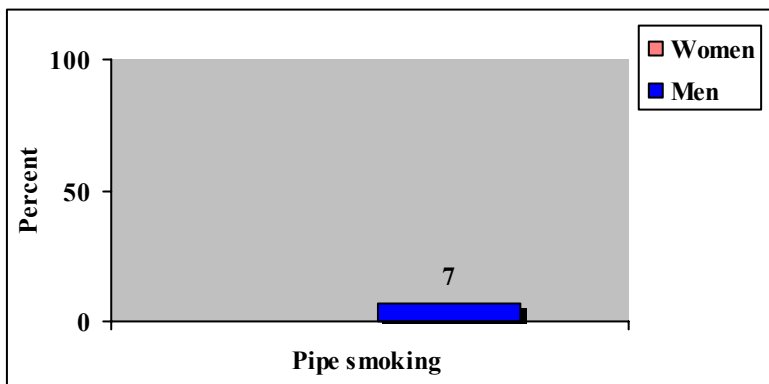


Figure 20: Current pipe smoking, by gender



Of those adult women in Poinsett County who reported that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, there was no prevalence of reported current pipe smoking among adult women (**0%**). Of those adult men in Poinsett County who reported that they had smoked tobacco in a pipe, the prevalence of reported current pipe smoking was **seven percent (7%)** (Figure 20).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Smoking in Home

#### **Risk Factor Definition: Smoking is allowed in the home**

Question: Which statement best describes the rules of smoking inside your home?

At Risk: Those who did not indicate that smoking is not allowed anywhere inside the homes are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Forty-one percent (41%) of the adults in Poinsett County reported that smoking is allowed inside their home.



- The prevalence of reported smoking allowed in the home was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (37%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (49%); and higher than among respondents 65 years and older (34%) (Table 10 and Figure 21).
- The prevalence of reported smoking allowed in the home was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (54%) than among those respondents with a high school education (39%), and college education (29%) (Table 10 and Figure 21).
- The prevalence of reported smoking allowed in the home was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (54%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (43%), and annual household income of over \$50,000 (25%) (Table 10 and Figure 21).



## Tobacco Use (continued)

### Risk Factor Definition: Smoking allowed in the home

Respondents who reported that smoking is allowed inside the home.

Table 10: Smoking allowed in the home

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	37	<HS Education	54	<\$20,000	54
40-64	49	HS Grad.	39	\$20,000-\$50,000	43
65+	34	College Grad.	29	>\$50,000	25

Figure 21: Smoking allowed in the home

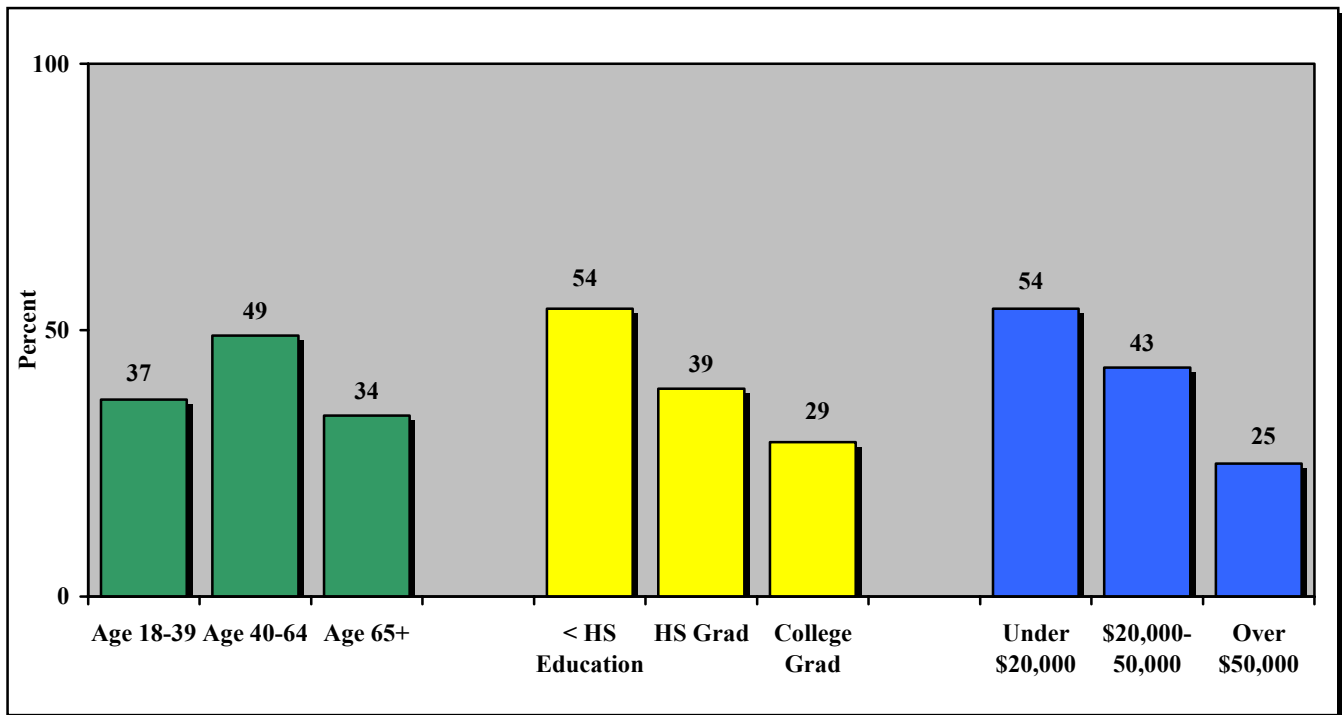
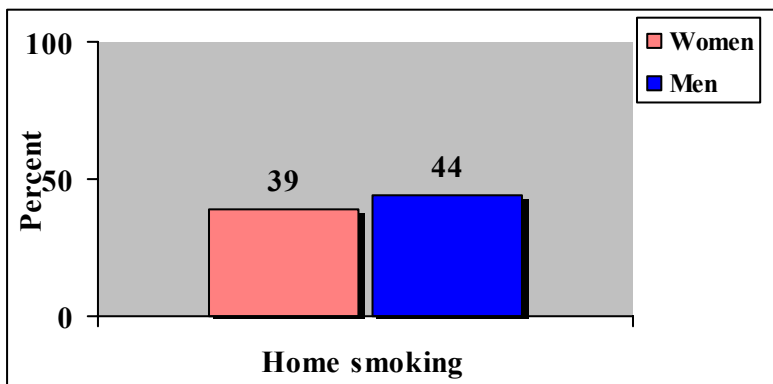


Figure 22: Smoking allowed in the home, by gender



The prevalence of reported smoking allowed in the home was **lower** among **adult women (39%)** than among **adult men (44%)** in Poinsett County (Figure 22).

## Tobacco Use (continued)

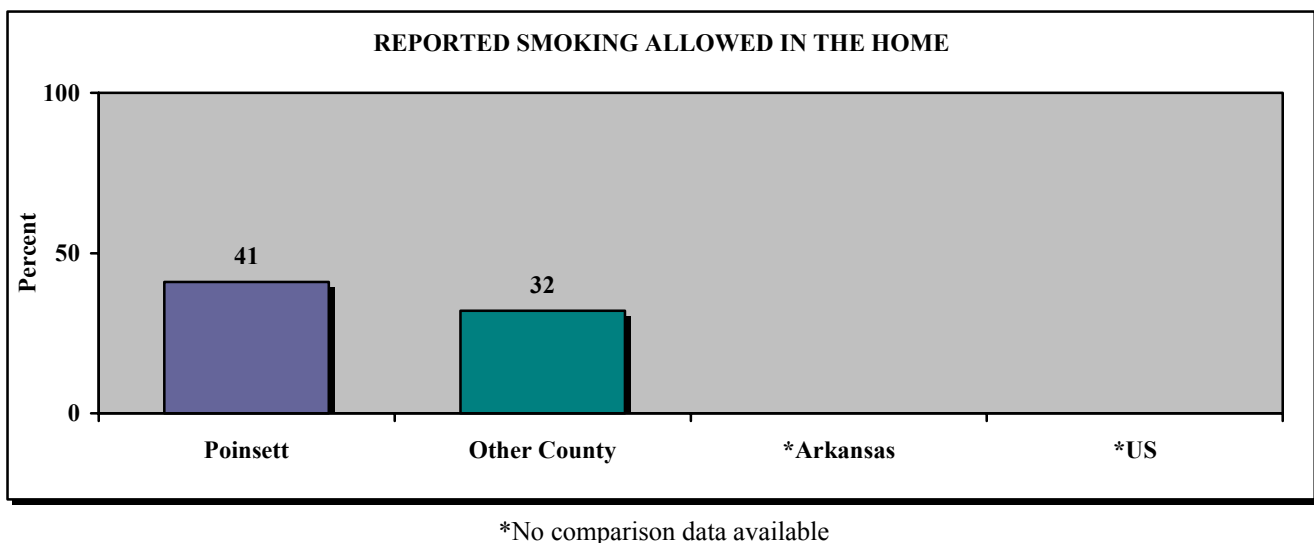
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2005 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on smoking allowed in the home

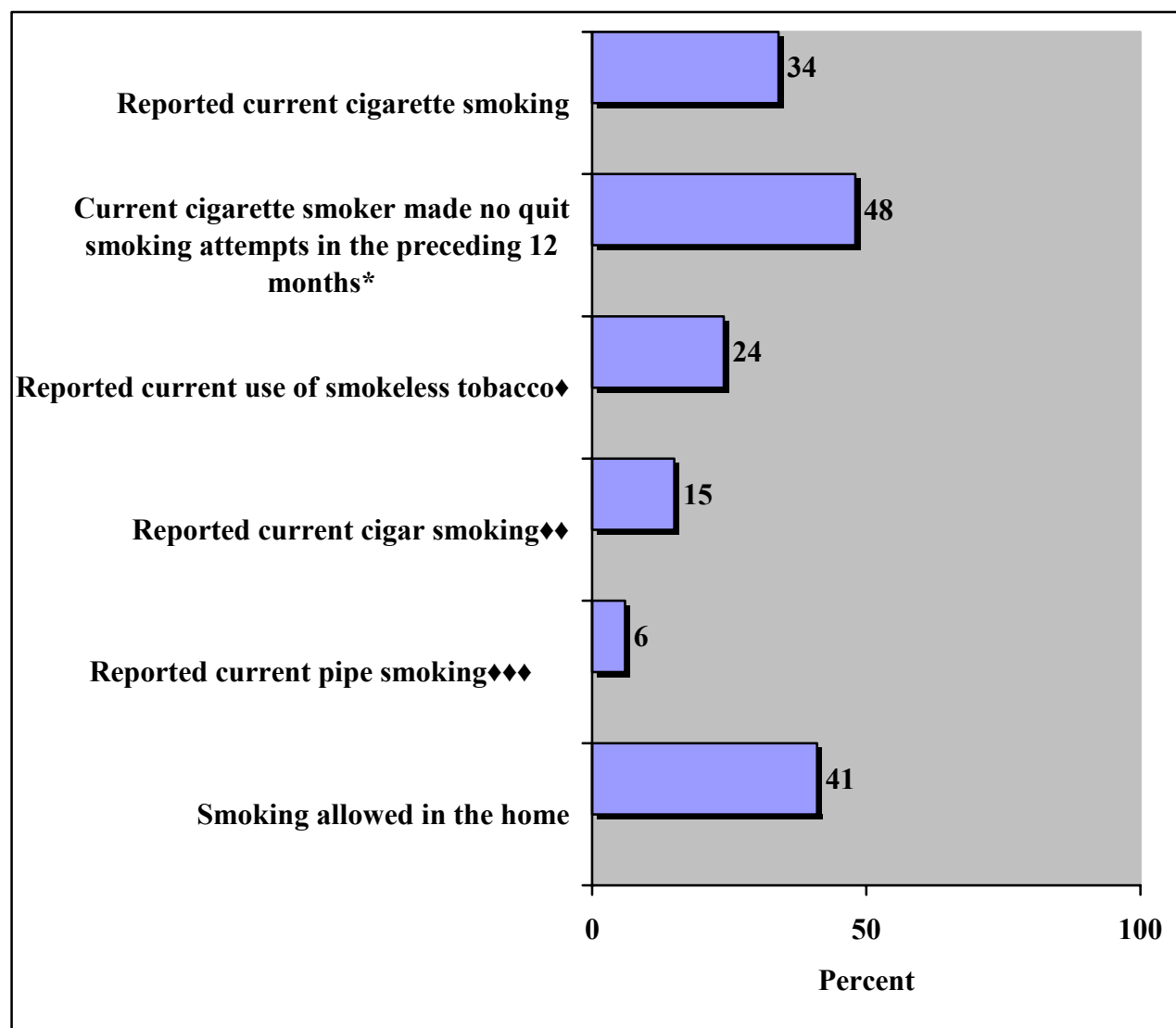
- The prevalence of reported smoking allowed in the home was higher among adults in Poinsett County (41%) than among adults in a neighboring county (32%) (Figure 23).

Figure 23: Comparing reported findings on smoking allowed in the home



## Tobacco Use (continued)

Figure 24: Tobacco use summary



\* Of those reported current cigarette smoking

♦ Of those who have ever tried smokeless tobacco

♦♦ Of those who have ever tried smoking a cigar, even one or two puffs

♦♦♦ Of those have ever tried smoking tobacco in a pipe, even one or two puffs

# **Women's Health and Risk Factors**

## Women's Health

### Demographics

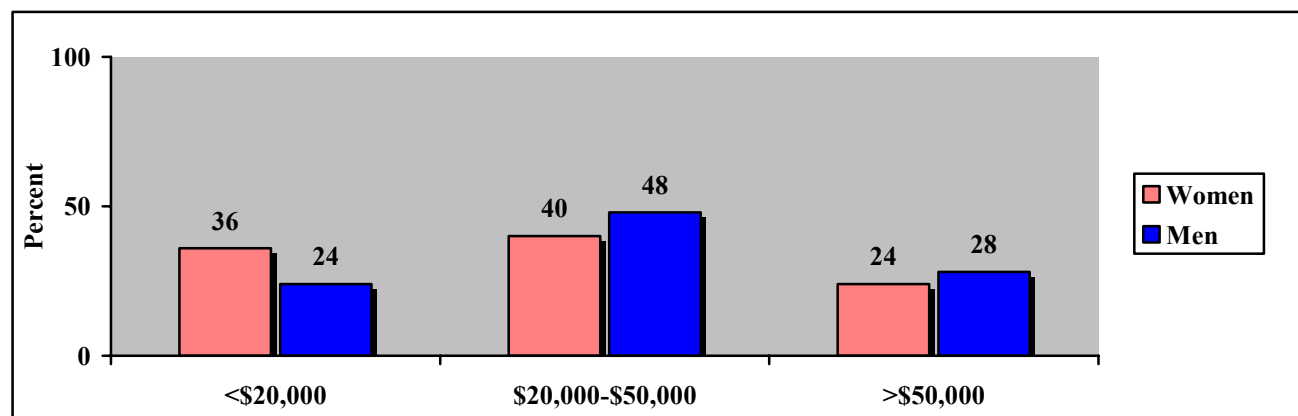
Table 1: Number of people surveyed

TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN SURVEY		
Male	Female	Total Surveyed
288	611	899

### Annual household income

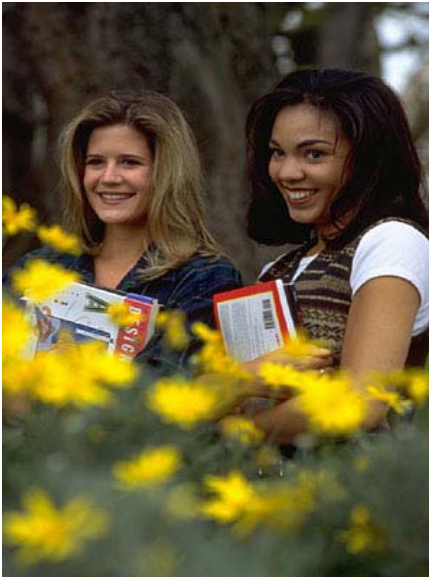
- Adult women in Poinsett County (36%) were **more likely** than adult men in Poinsett County (24%) to report an annual household income of under \$20,000 (Figure 1).
- Adult women in Poinsett County (40%) were **less likely** than adult men in Poinsett County (48%) to report an annual household income between \$20,000 and \$50,000 (Figure 1).
- Adult women in Poinsett County (24%) were **less likely** than adult men in Poinsett County (28%) to report an annual household income of over \$50,000 (Figure 1).

Figure 1: Reported annual household income, by gender



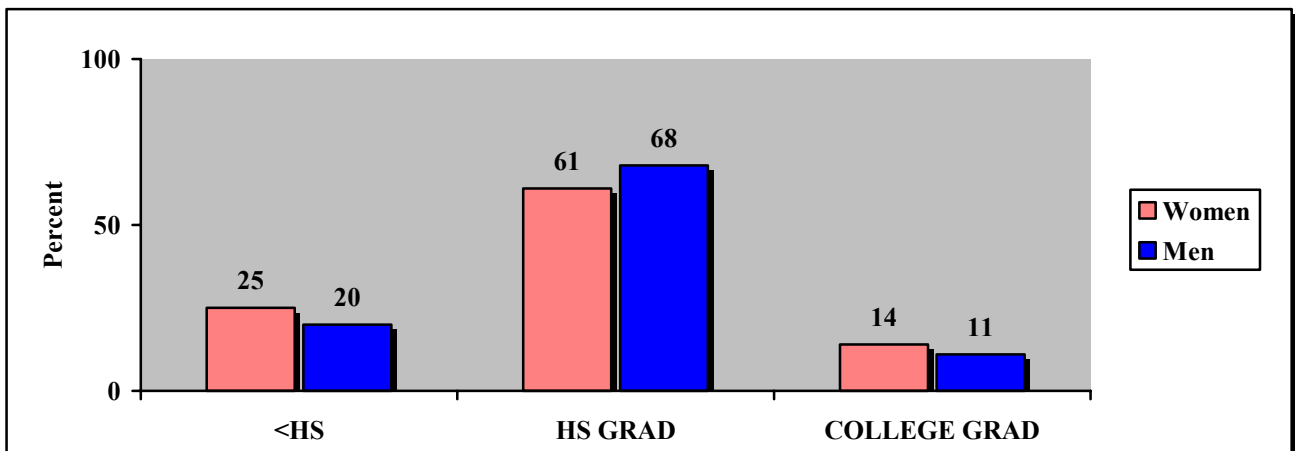
## Women's Health (continued)

### Level of education attained



- Adult women in Poinsett County (25%) were **more likely** than adult men in Poinsett County (20%) to report that the highest level of education attained was less than a high school diploma (Figure 2).
- Adult women in Poinsett County (61%) were **less likely** as adult men in Poinsett County (68%) to report that they were high school graduates (Figure 2).
- Adult women in Poinsett County (14%) were **more likely** than adult men in Poinsett County (11%) to report that they were college graduates (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Reported highest level of education attained, by gender



## Women & Behavioral Risk Factors

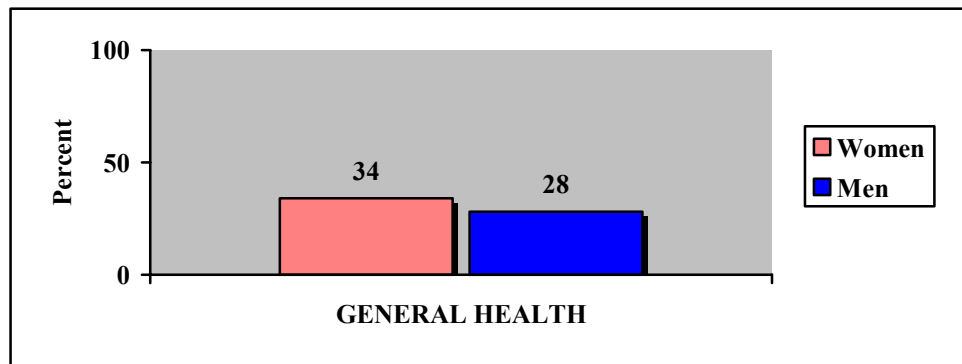
In addition to the standard BRFSS questions, the Poinsett County survey included special questions about women's health issues. Women's health concerns more than just breast care and reproductive health. Disparities between women's and men's health exist for various risk factors. Specific health issues that were investigated in conjunction with women's health concerns in Poinsett County include self-reported perceptions of health, utilization of preventative health care and health screenings, and personal risk behaviors for men and women in Poinsett County were compared.

### PERCEPTIONS OF HEALTH

#### General health

- The prevalence of reported fair or poor general health was higher among adult women (34%) than among adult men (28%) in Poinsett County (Figure 3).

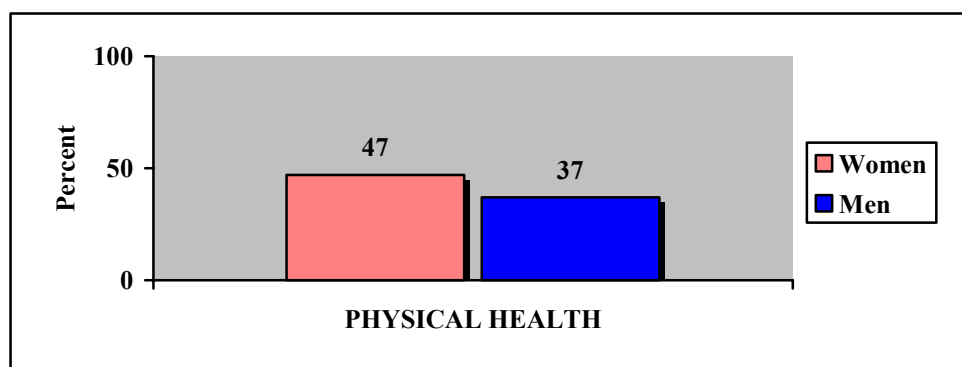
Figure 3: Reported fair or poor general health, by gender



#### Physical health

- The prevalence of reported physical health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among adult women (47%) than among adult men (37%) in Poinsett County (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Reported physical health not good on one or more days, by gender



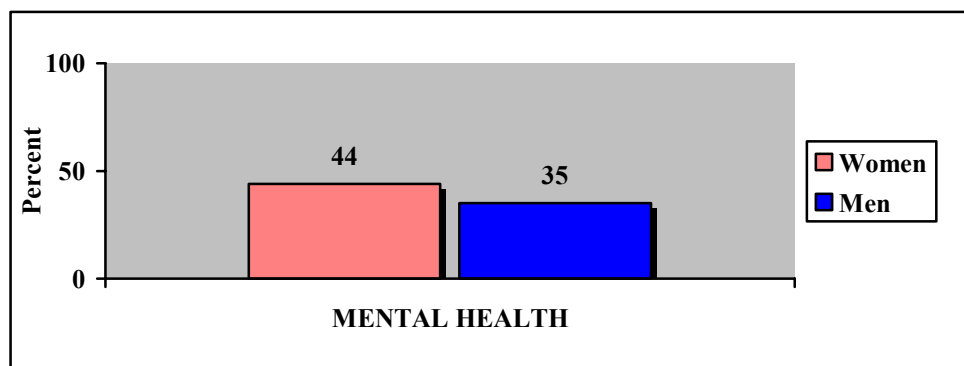
## Women & Behavioral Risk Factors (continued)

### Mental health



- The prevalence of reported mental health not good on one or more of the thirty days preceding the survey was higher among adult women (44%) than among adult men (35%) in Poinsett County (Figure 5).

Figure 5: Reported mental health not good on one or more days, by gender





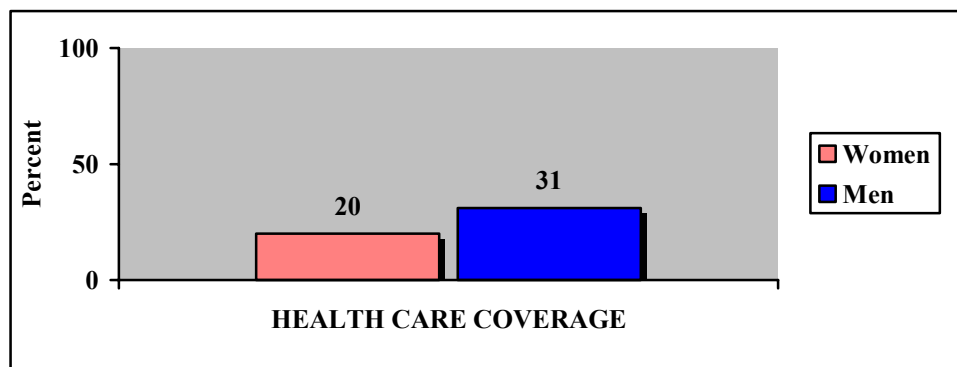
## Women & Behavioral Risk Factors (continued)

### RISK FACTORS

#### Health care coverage

- The prevalence of reported no health care coverage was lower among adult women (20%) than among adult men (31%) in Poinsett County (Figure 6).

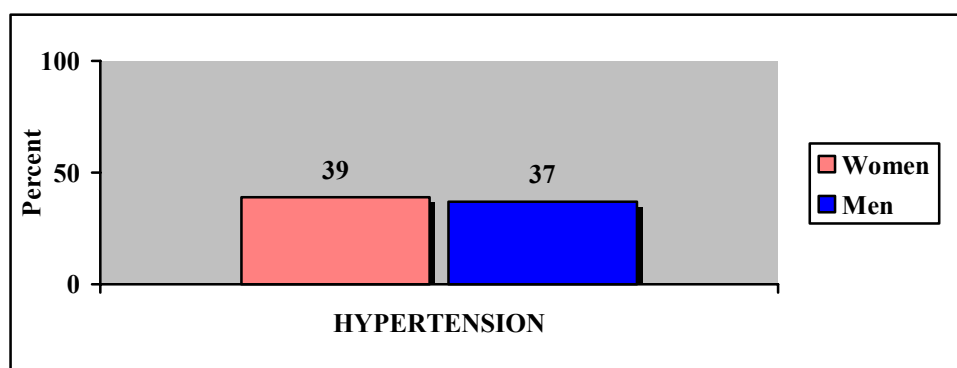
Figure 6: Reported no health care coverage, by gender



#### Hypertension

- The prevalence of reported hypertension diagnosis by doctor was higher among adult women (39%) than among adult men (37%) in Poinsett County (Figure 7).

Figure 7: Reported hypertension diagnosis by doctor, by gender



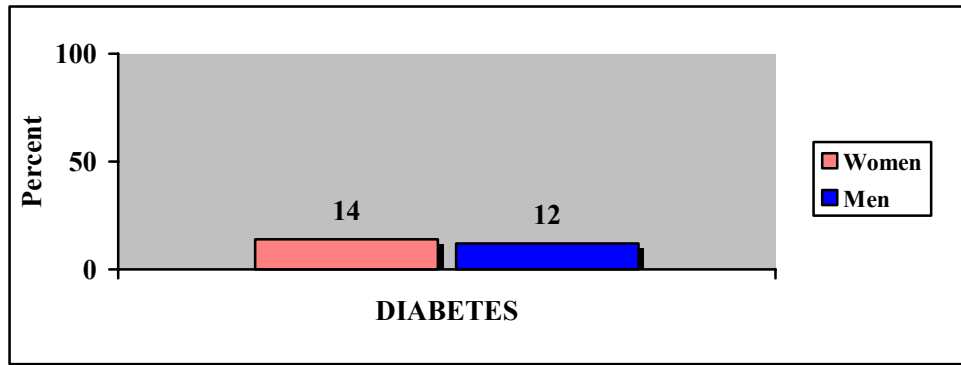
## Women & Behavioral Risk Factors (continued)

### RISK FACTORS

#### Diabetes

- The prevalence of reported diabetes diagnosis by doctor was higher among adult women (14%) than among adult men (12%) in Poinsett County (Figure 8).

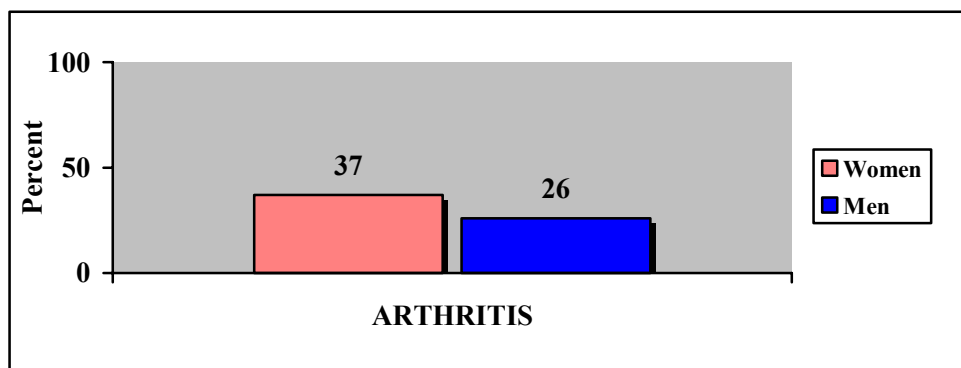
Figure 8: Reported diabetes diagnosis by doctor, by gender



#### Arthritis

- The prevalence of reported arthritis diagnosis by doctor was higher among adult women (37%) than among adult men (26%) in Poinsett County (Figure 9).

Figure 9: Reported arthritis diagnosis by doctor, by gender



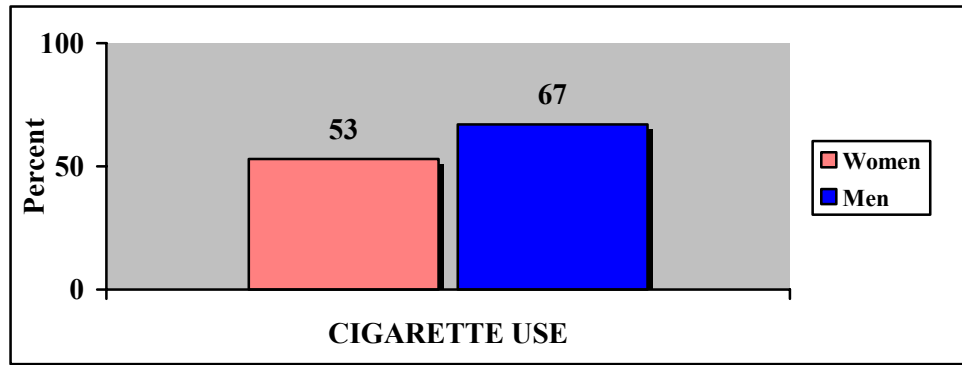
## Women & Behavioral Risk Factors (continued)

### HEALTH HABITS

#### Cigarette use

- The prevalence of reported cigarette use in a lifetime was lower among adult women (53%) than among adult men (67%) in Poinsett County (Figure 10).

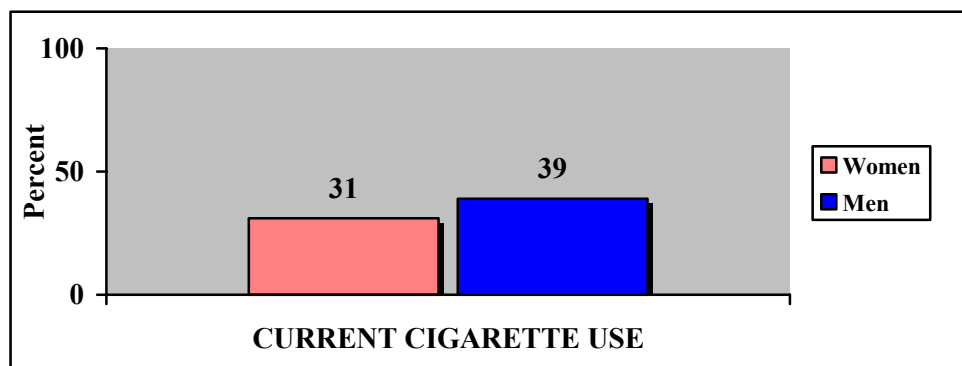
Figure 10: Cigarette use, by gender



#### Current cigarette use

- The prevalence of reported current cigarette use was lower among adult women (31%) than among adult men (39%) (Figure 11).

Figure 11: Current cigarette use, by gender



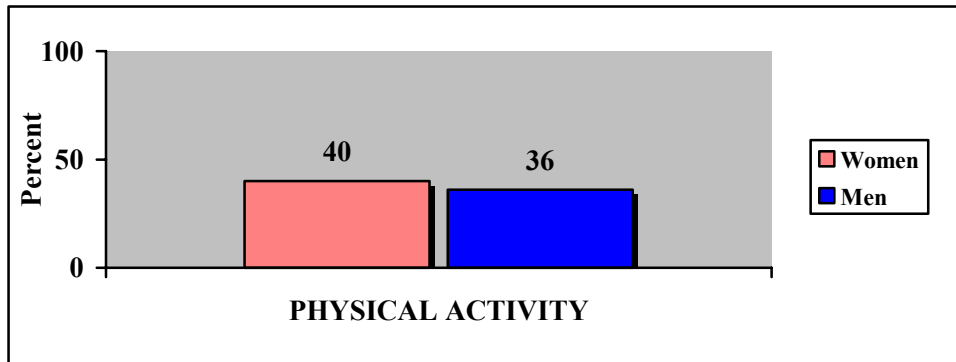
## Women & Behavioral Risk Factors (continued)

### HEALTH HABITS

#### Physical activity

- The prevalence of reported no regular physical activity in the month preceding the survey was higher among adult women (40%) than among adult men (36%) in Poinsett County (Figure 12).

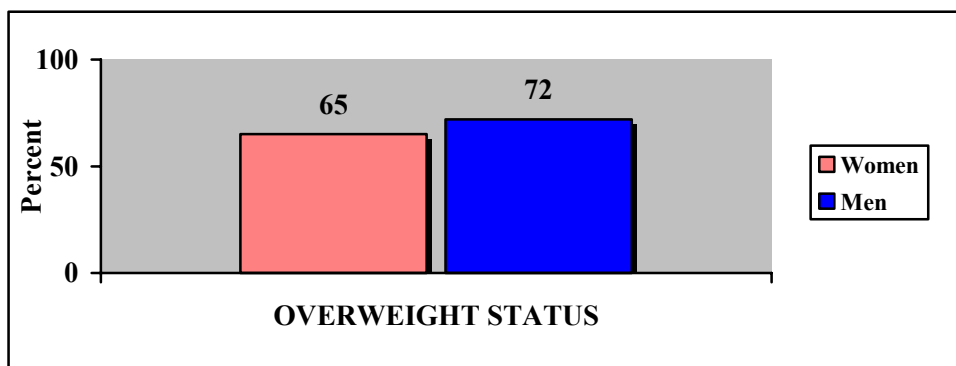
Figure 12: Reported no physical activity, by gender



#### Overweight status

- The prevalence of reported overweight status was lower among adult women (65%) than among adult men (72%) in Poinsett County (Figure 13).

Figure 13: Reported overweight status, by gender



## Breast Cancer Screening and Knowledge

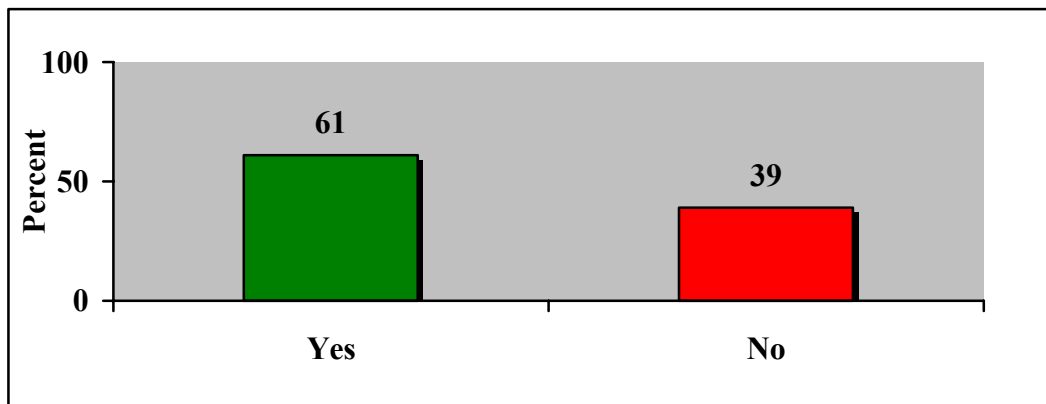
Breast cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer among Arkansas women, aside from skin cancer. According to the American Cancer Society, mammography is very valuable as an early detection tool, often identifying cancer before any physical symptoms develop. Early detection saves lives and increases treatment options.

### Advertisements for mammogram tests

**Question: In the past month, have you noticed any posters, billboards, commercials, or advertisements with a message about having a mammogram test?**

- **Sixty-one percent (61%)** of female respondents reported that **they had** noticed posters, billboards, commercials, or advertisements for mammogram tests during the month preceding the survey (Figure 14).
- **Thirty-nine percent (39%)** of female respondents reported that **they had not** noticed posters, billboards, commercials, or advertisements for mammogram tests during the month preceding the survey (Figure 14).

Figure 14: Reported sightings of advertisements for mammogram tests



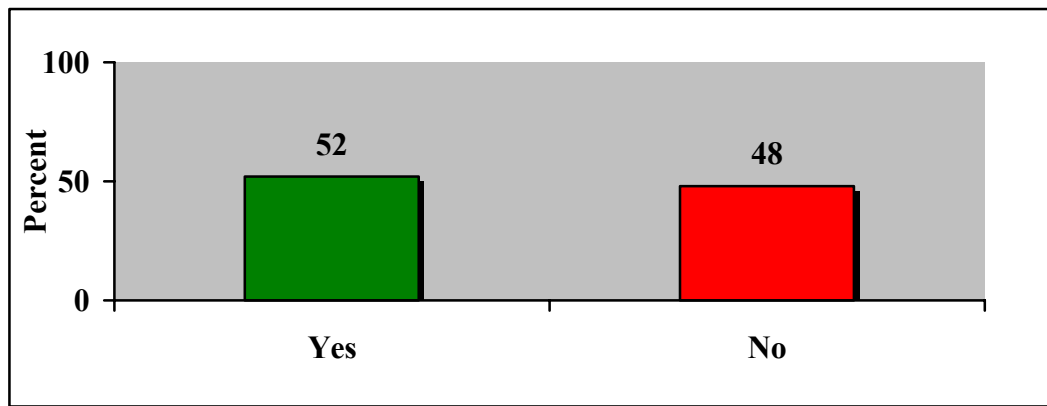
## Breast Cancer Screening and Knowledge (continued)

### Free breast exams and mammograms

**Question: Are you aware that BreastCare, a program of the local health department, offers free breast exams and mammograms to women age 40 and older?**

- **Fifty-two percent (52%)** of female respondents reported that **they know** the local health department offers free breast exams and mammograms to women age 40 and older (Figure 15).
- **Forty-eight percent (48%)** of female respondents reported that **they did not know** the local health department offers free breast exams and mammograms to women age 40 and older (Figure 15).

Figure 15: Reported knowledge of free breast exams



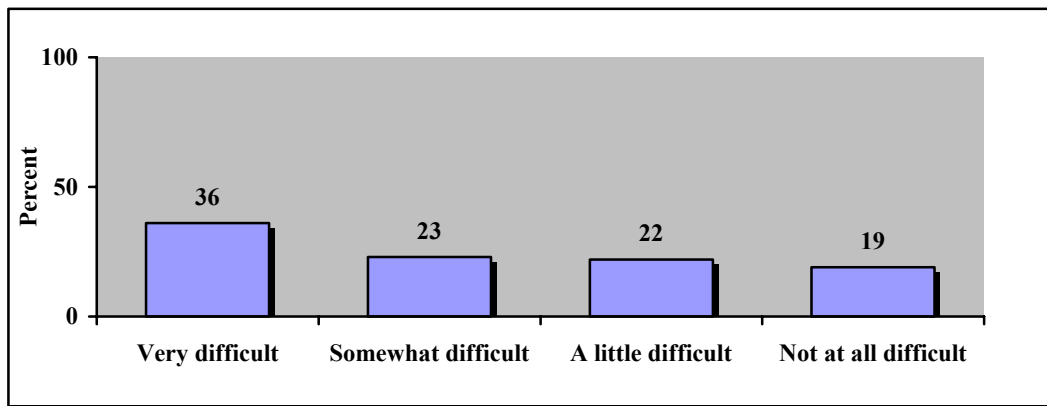
## Breast Cancer Screening and Knowledge (continued)

### Cost of mammogram test

**Question: How difficult would it be for you to pay for the cost of a mammogram test? Would you say difficult, somewhat difficult, a little difficult, or not at all difficult?**

- **Thirty-six percent (36%)** of female respondents reported that it will be **very difficult** to pay for the cost of a mammogram test (Figure 16).
- **Twenty-three percent (23%)** of female respondents reported that it will be **somewhat difficult** to pay for the cost of a mammogram test (Figure 16).
- **Twenty-seven percent (22%)** of female respondents reported that it will be **a little difficult** to pay for the cost of a mammogram test (Figure 16).
- **Nineteen percent (19%)** of female respondents reported that it will be **not at all difficult** to pay for the cost of a mammogram test (Figure 16).

Figure 16: Reported ability to pay for a mammogram test



## Breast Cancer Screening and Knowledge (continued)

A mammogram is an x-ray of each breast to look for breast cancer.

### **Risk Factor Definition: Women aged 40 years and older, no mammograms within the past two years**

Question: Have you ever had a mammogram?  
How long has it been since your last mammogram?

At Risk: Women 40 years and older who haven't had a mammogram in the past two years are considered at risk.

### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Thirty-three percent (33%) of women over age 40 years had not had a mammogram within those two years preceding the survey.
- The prevalence of reported not screened for breast cancer in the past two years preceding the survey was higher among the respondents aged 40-64 years (34%) than among respondents 65 years and older (32%) (Table 2 and Figure 17).
- The prevalence of reported not screened for breast cancer in the past two years preceding was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (44%) than among those respondents with a high school education (30%), and college education (24%) (Table 2 and Figure 17).
- The prevalence of reported not screened for breast cancer in the past two years preceding was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (43%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (30%), and respondents with annual household income of over \$50,000 (24%) (Table 2 and Figure 17).



## Breast Cancer Screening and Knowledge (continued)

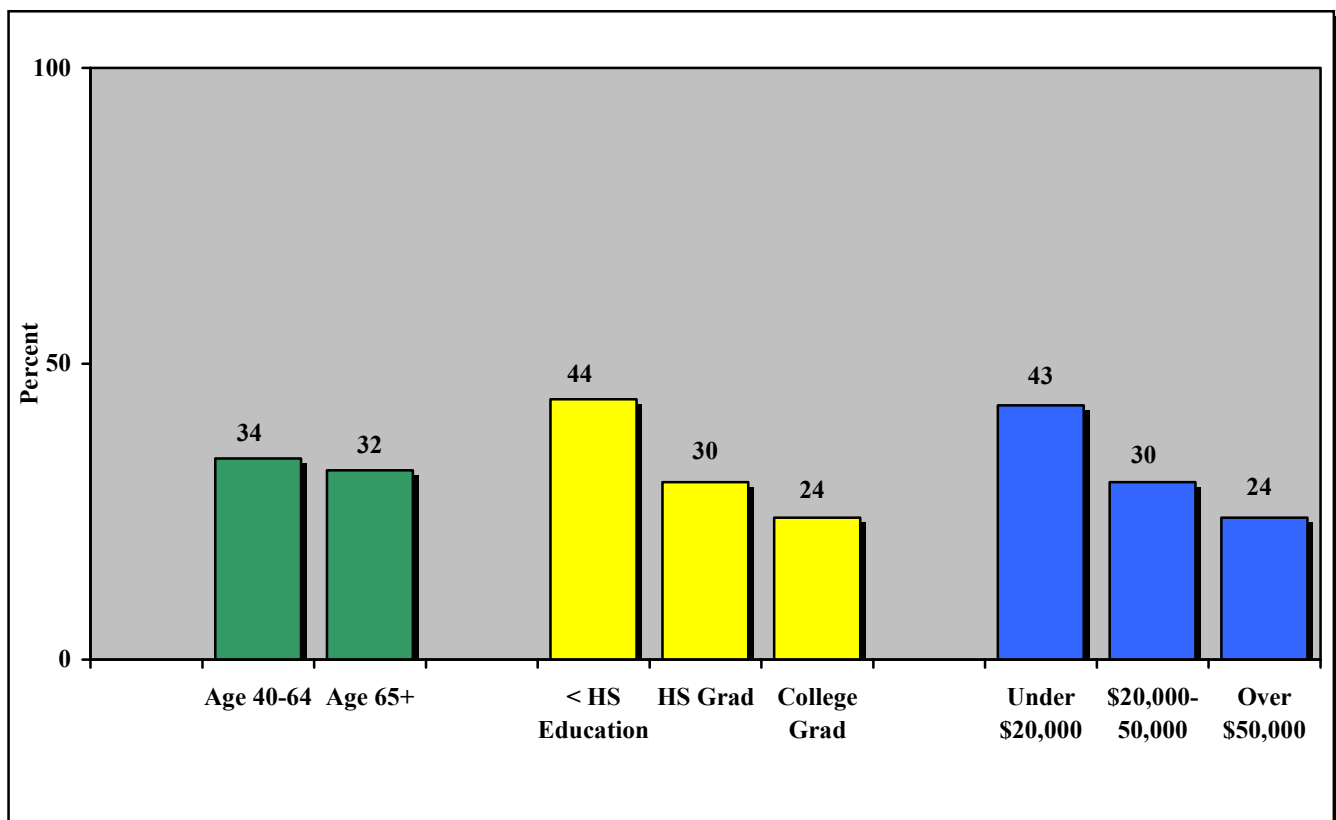
### **Risk Factor Definition: Women aged 40 years and older, no mammograms within the past two years**

Female respondents over age 40 years who reported that they had not had a mammogram within those two years preceding the survey.

Table 2: No breast cancer screening within the past 2 years

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	N/A	<HS Education	44	<\$20,000	43
40-64	34	HS Grad.	30	\$20,000-\$50,000	30
65+	32	College Grad.	24	>\$50,000	24

Figure 17: No breast cancer screening within the past 2 years



## Breast Cancer Screening and Knowledge (continued)

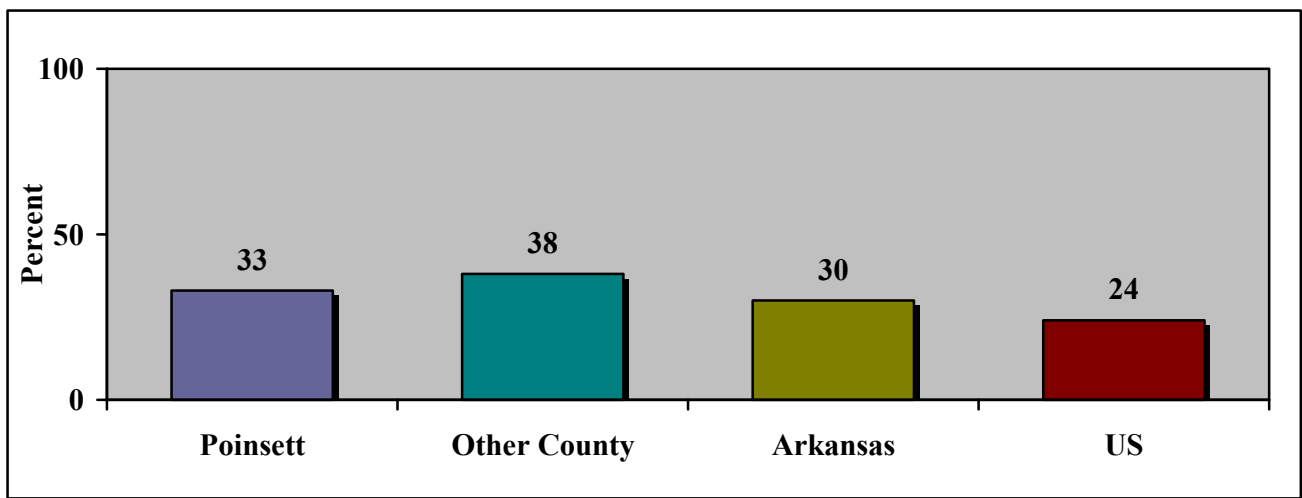
### How does Poinsett County compare?

In order to determine Poinsett County's adult health strengths and weaknesses, the results of the County Adult Health Survey were compared to 2006 Adult Health Survey results of a neighboring county, and 2006 state and nationwide BRFSS data.

### Comparing reported findings on no breast cancer screening within the past 2 years

- The prevalence of reported no mammogram in the two years preceding the survey was lower among adult women in Poinsett County (33%) than among adult women in a neighboring county (38%) (Figure 18).
- The prevalence of reported no mammogram in the two years preceding the survey was higher among adult women in Poinsett County (33%) than among adult women in the state (30%), and adult women in the nation (24%) (Figure 18).

Figure 18: Comparing reported findings on no breast cancer screening within the past 2 years



## Other Women's Health Screening

### Pap smear

Pap tests are used to detect cervical cancer in women. Early stages of cervical cancer often have no signs or symptoms. This makes it important for women to have regular Pap smear tests.

#### **Risk Factor Definition: No Pap smear within the past three years**

Question: Have you ever had a Pap smear?  
How long has it been since your last Pap smear?

At Risk: Women 18 or older with an intact uterus who have not had a Pap smear within the past three years are considered at risk.

#### **Who is at risk in Poinsett County?**

- Twenty-seven percent (27%) of Poinsett County adult women reported that they had not had a Pap smear within the three years preceding the survey.
- The prevalence of reported no Pap smear in the past three years was lower among respondents aged 18-39 years (13%) than among respondents aged 40-64 years (27%), and respondents 65 years and older (54%) (Table 3 and Figure 19).
- The prevalence of reported no Pap smear in the past three years was higher among respondents with less than a high school education (42%) than among those respondents with a high school education (23%), and college education (22%) (Table 3 and Figure 19).
- The prevalence of reported no Pap smear in the past three years was higher among those respondents with an annual household income of less than \$20,000 (37%) than among those respondents with an annual household income of \$20,000-\$50,000 (24%), and respondents with an annual household income of over \$50,000 (12%) (Table 3 and Figure 19).

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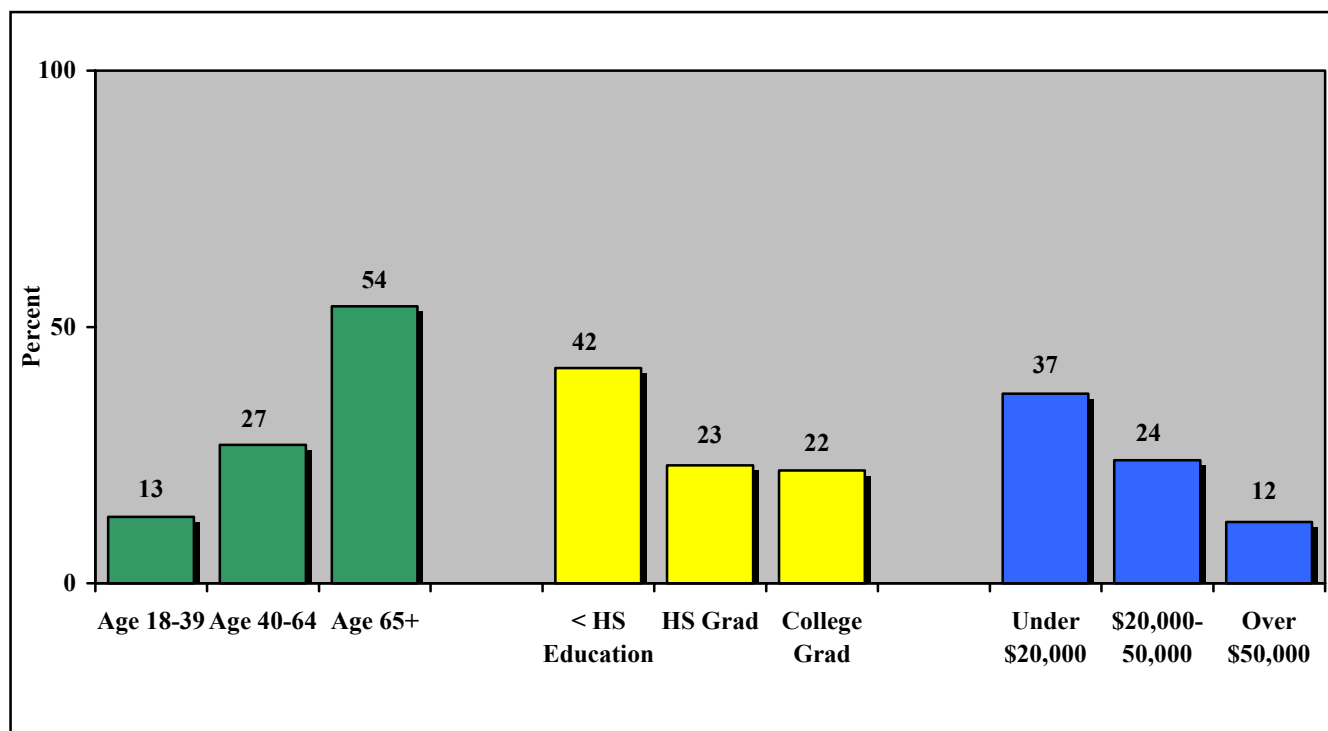
### **Risk Factor Definition: No Pap smear within the past three years**

Female respondents who reported that they had not had a Pap smear within the three years preceding the survey.

Table 3: No pap smear within the past 3 years

Age (%)		Education (%)		Income (%)	
18-39	13	<HS Education	42	<\$20,000	37
40-64	27	HS Grad.	23	\$20,000-\$50,000	24
65+	54	College Grad.	22	>\$50,000	12

Figure 19: No pap smear within the past 3 years



## Other Women's Health Screening (continued)

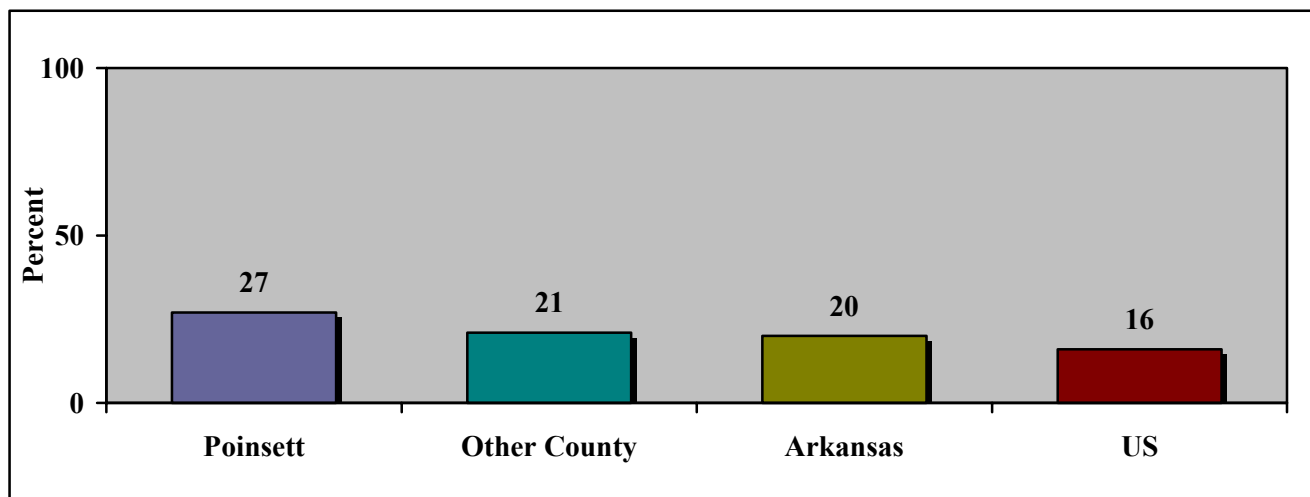
### How does Poinsett County compare?

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### Comparing reported findings on no cervical cancer screening within the past 3 years

- The prevalence of reported no Pap smear within the past three years was higher among adult women Poinsett County (27%) than among adult women a neighboring county (21%) (Figure 20).
- The prevalence of reported no Pap smear within the past three years was also higher among adult women Poinsett County (27%) than among adult women in the state (20%), and adult women in the nation (16%) (Figure 20).

Figure 20: Comparing reported findings on no cervical cancer screening within the past 3 years

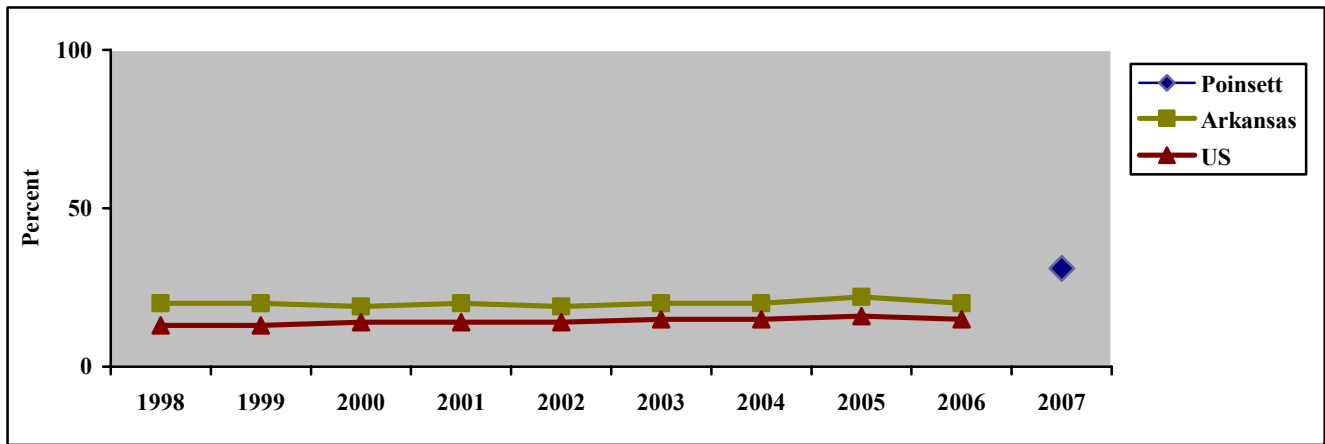


# Trend Charts

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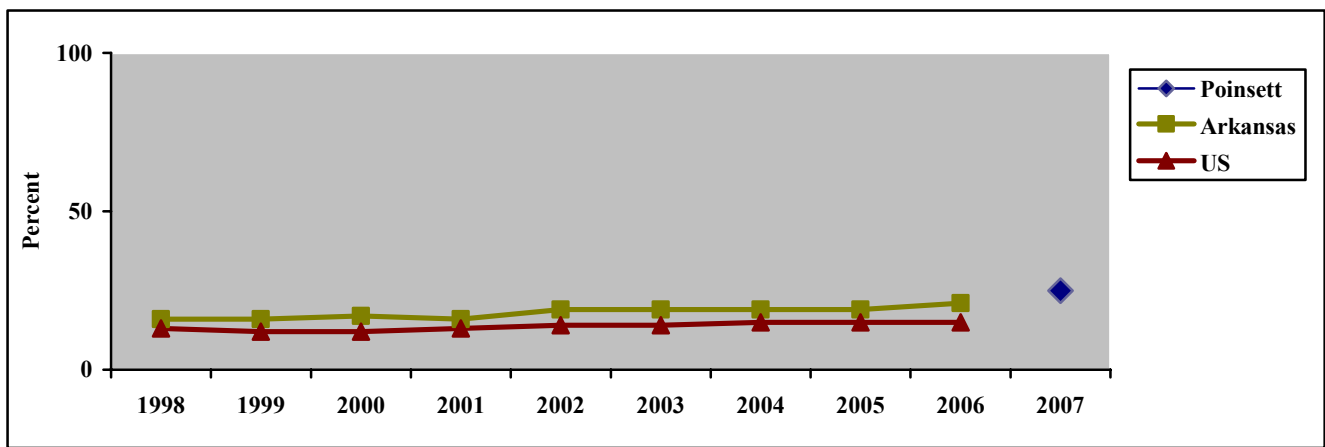
### Risk Factor Definition: General health “fair” or “poor”

Figure 1: Adults who reported general health as fair or poor (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



### Risk Factor Definition: No health care coverage

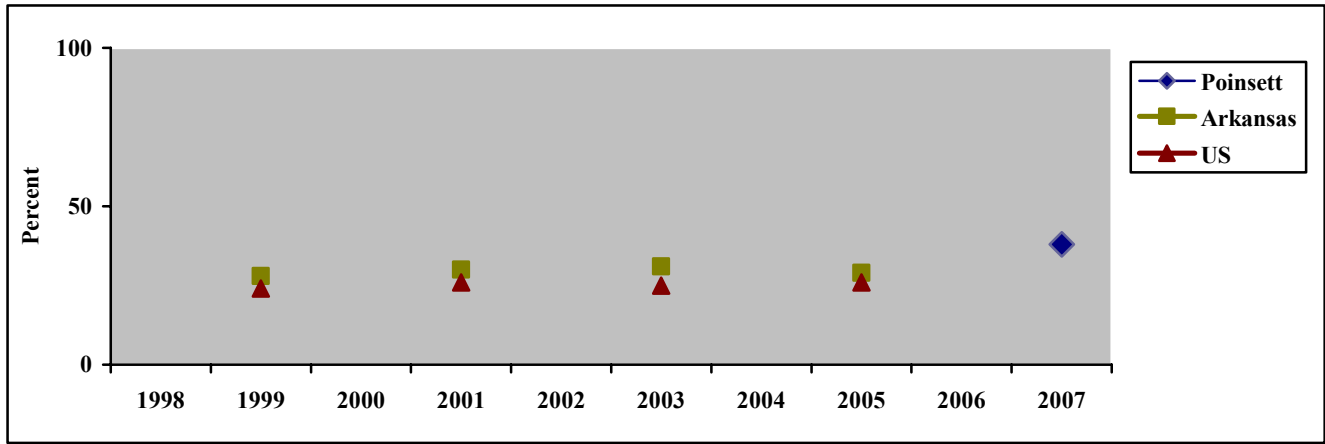
Figure 2: Adults who reported that they did not have health care coverage (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



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### **Risk Factor Definition: Have high blood pressure (Hypertension)**

Figure 3: Adults who reported hypertension diagnosis by a doctor (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)

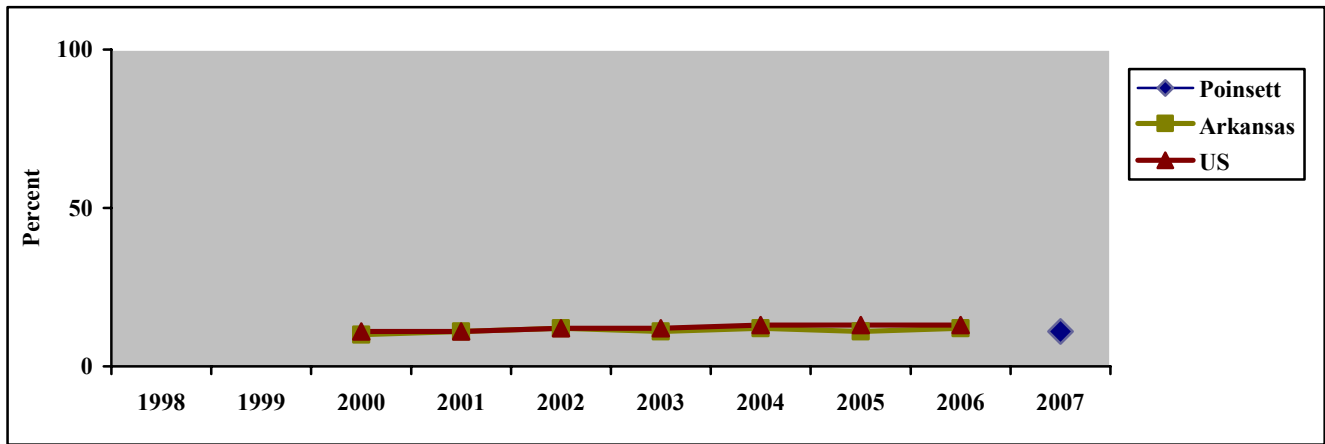


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### **Risk Factor Definition: Have asthma**

Figure 4: Adults who reported an asthma diagnosis by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



\* No data for Arkansas – 1998, 1999

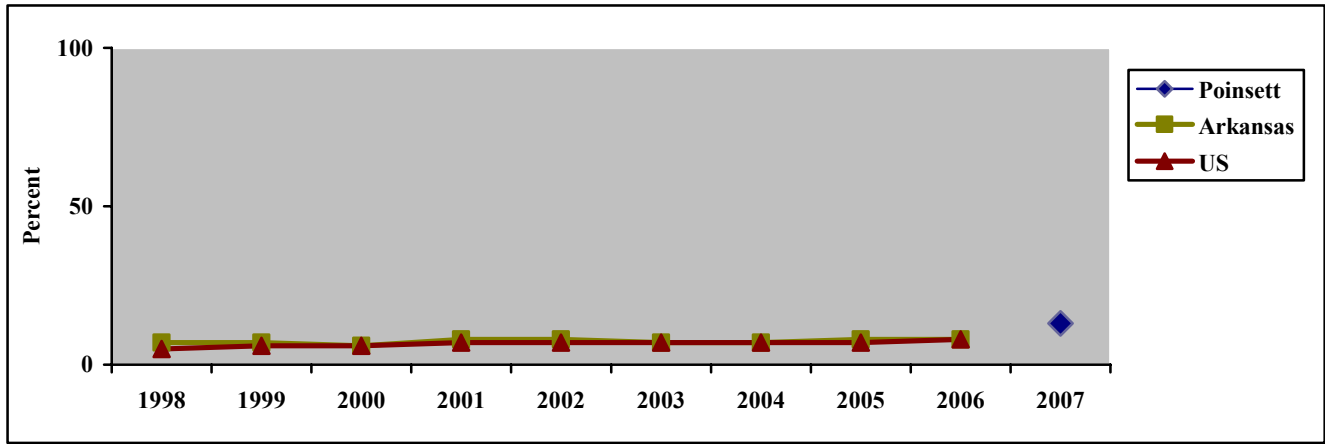
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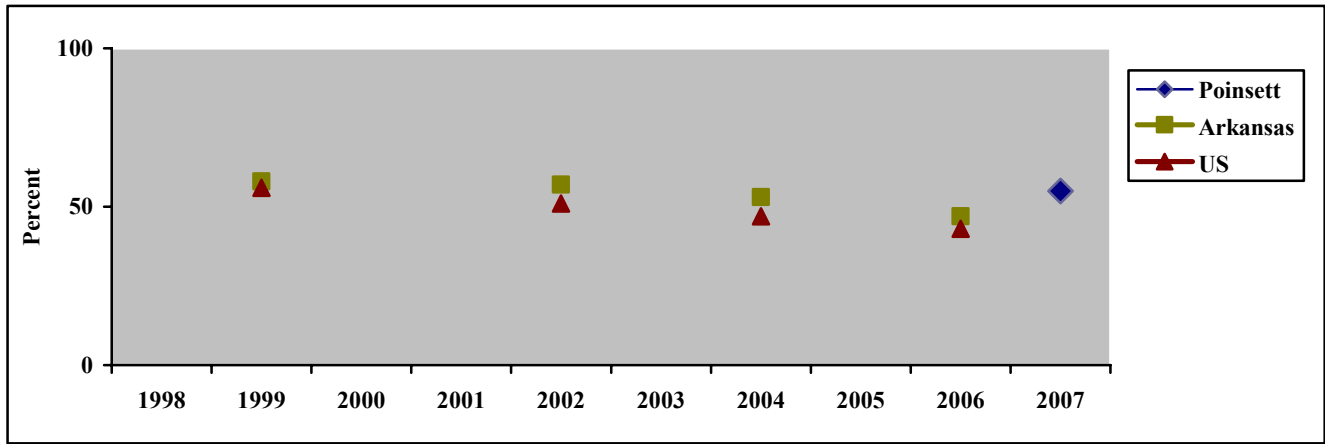
### **Risk Factor Definition: Have diabetes**

**Figure 5:** Adults who reported diabetes diagnosis by a doctor (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



### **Risk Factor Definition: Over age 50 years and never been screened for colorectal cancer**

**Figure 6:** Adults over the age 50 years who reported that they had never been screened for colorectal cancer screening (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



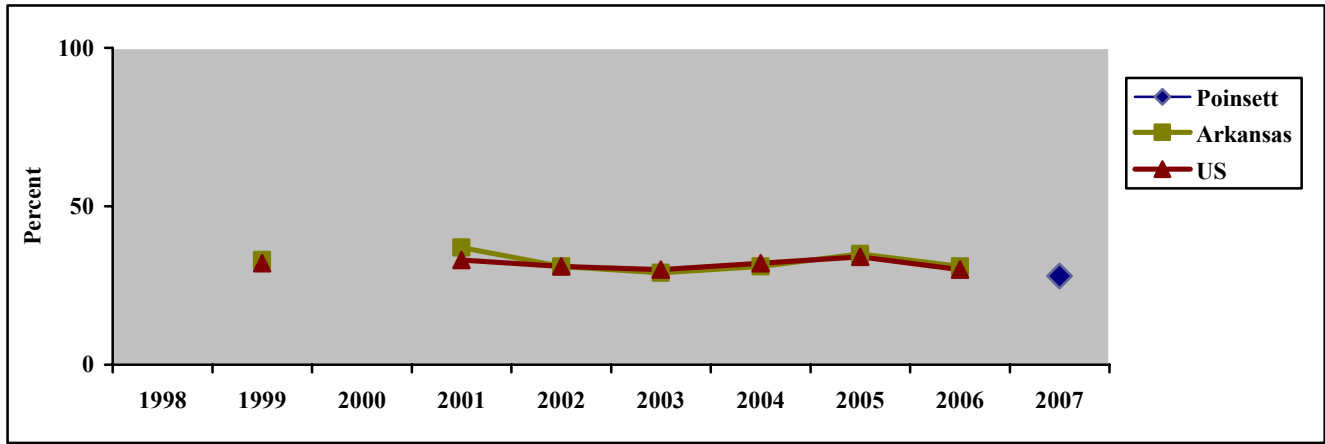
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### **Risk Factor Definition: No influenza shot within the past 12 months**

**Figure 7:** Adults age 65 years and over who reported they had not had an influenza shot in the past 12 months (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)

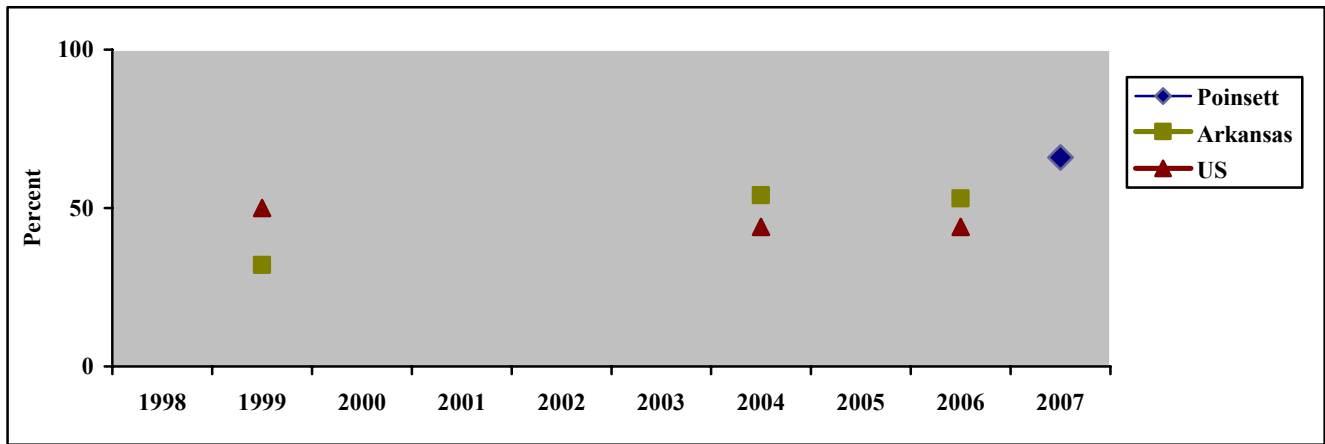


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### **Risk Factor Definition: Permanent teeth extraction**

**Figure 8:** Adults who reported any permanent teeth extracted (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



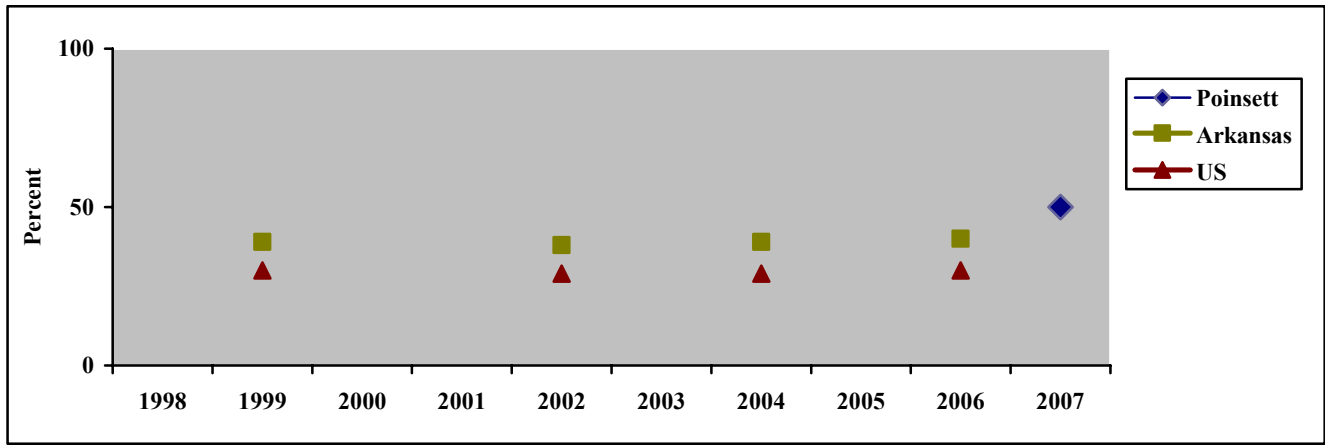
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### **Risk Factor Definition: Last dental visit one year or more ago**

**Figure 9:** Adults who reported last dental visit one year or more ago (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)

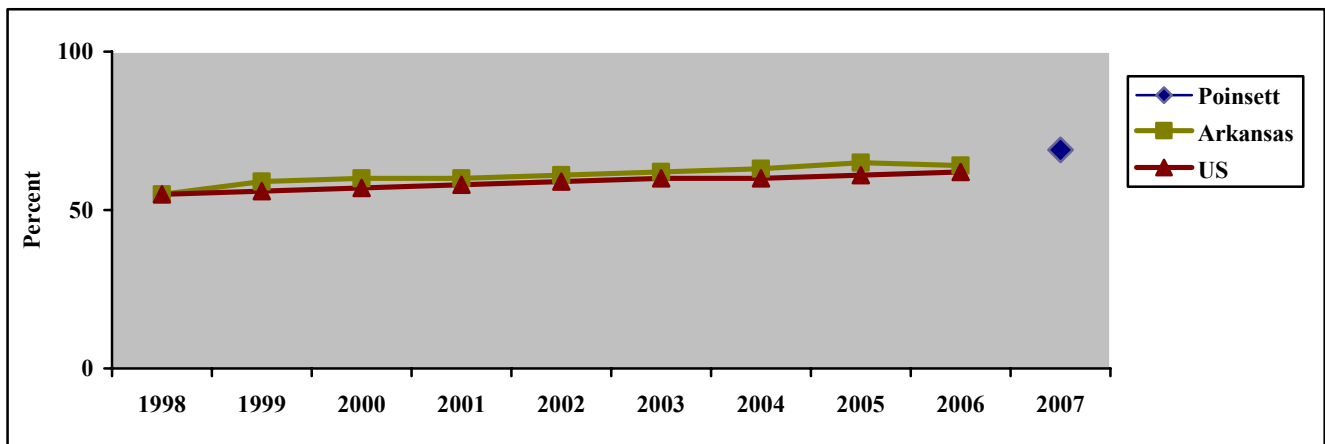


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### **Risk Factor Definition: Overweight as measured by Body Mass Index (BMI)**

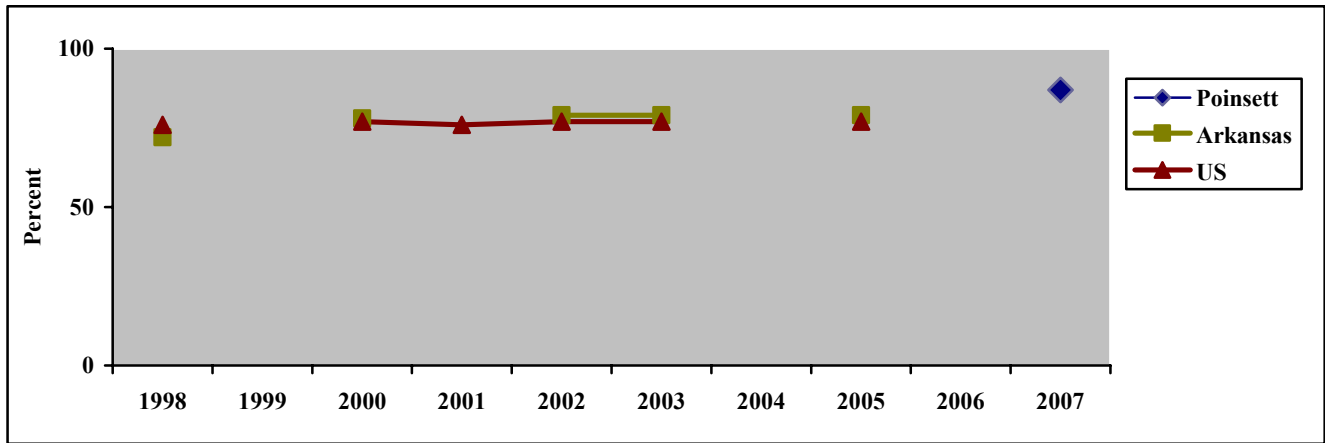
**Figure 10:** Adults who reported that they were overweight (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



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### **Risk Factor Definition: Fewer than 5 fruits or vegetables per day**

**Figure 11:** Adults who reported that they consume fewer than five fruits or vegetables per day (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)

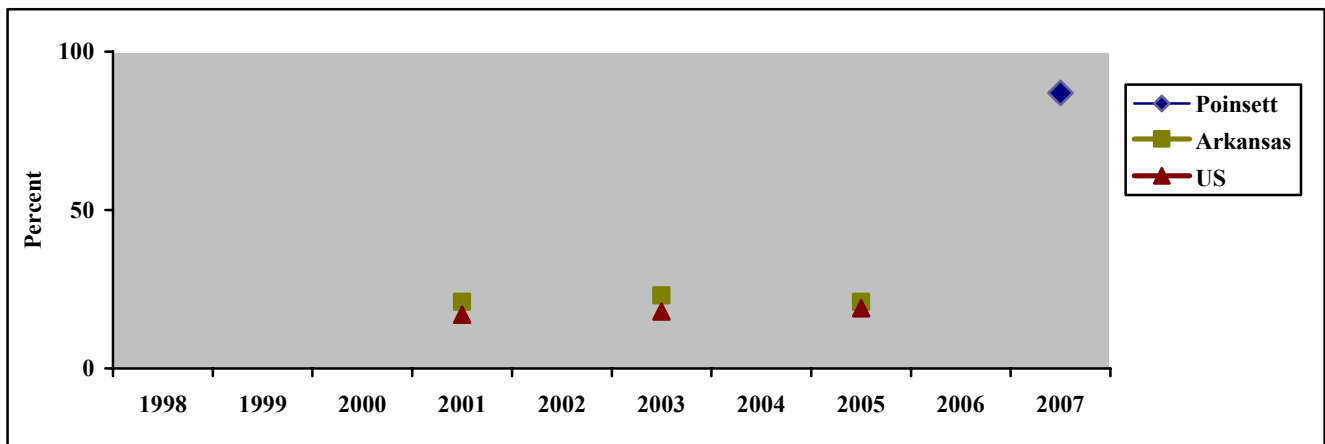


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### **Risk Factor Definition: Limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems**

**Figure 12:** Adults who reported they had activity limitations due to physical, mental, or emotional problems (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



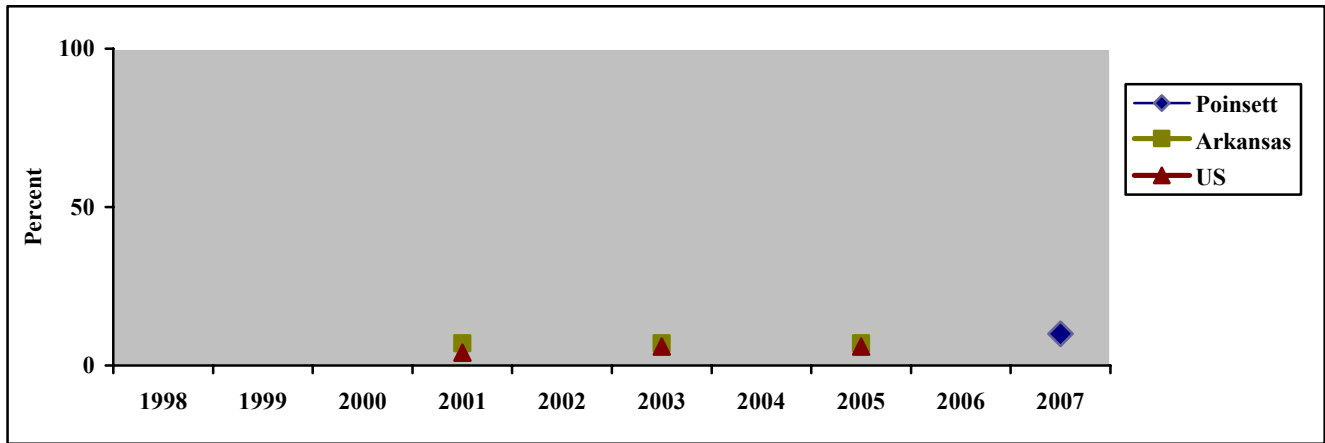
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### Risk Factor Definition: Use of special equipment

Figure 13: Adults who reported that they use special equipment (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)

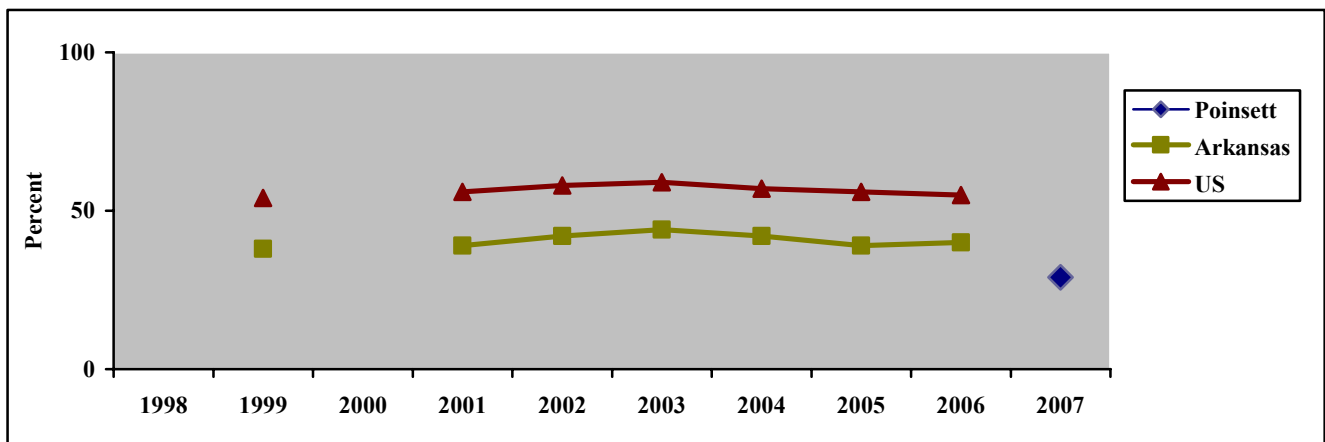


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### Risk Factor Definition: Any alcoholic beverage

Figure 14: Adults who reported that they had had at least one drink of an alcoholic beverage in the past thirty days (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



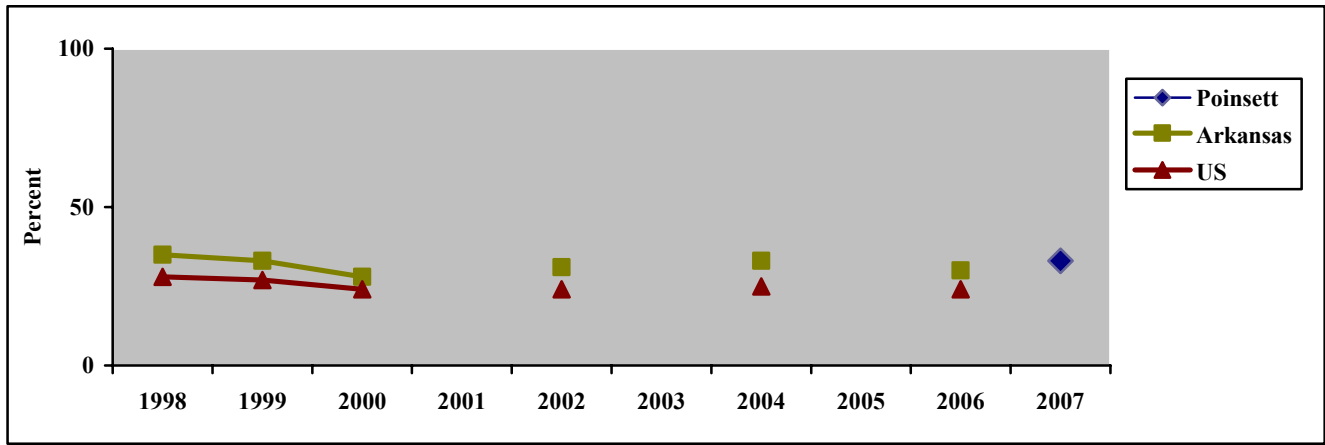
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### **Risk Factor Definition: Women aged 40 years and older who have not had a mammogram in the past two years**

Figure 15: Adult women aged 40 years and older who reported that they had not had mammogram in the past two years (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)

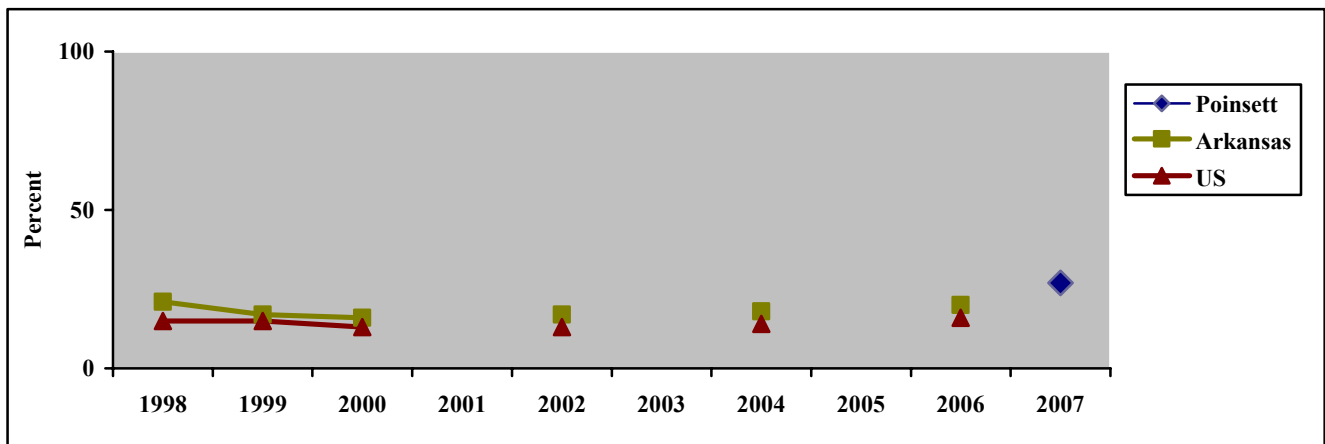


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### **Risk Factor Definition: No Pap smear in the past three years**

Figure 16: Adult women who reported that they had not had a Pap smear in the past three years (Poinsett CAHS 2007, Arkansas and national 1998-2006 BRFSS)



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# Appendix

## **Poinsett County Adult Health Survey Questions**

The following questions were administered as part of the Hometown Health County Adult Health Survey. The interviews were conducted by telephone. Interested parties can obtain a complete copy of the script used to conduct the interview from their local Hometown Health leaders.

### **Core 1: Health Status**

1. Would you say that in general your health is excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?
2. Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health not good?
3. Now thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression, and problems with emotions, for how many days during the past 30 days was your mental health not good?
4. During the past 30 days, for about how many days did poor physical or mental health keep you from doing your usual activities, such as self-care, work, or recreation?

### **Core 2: Healthcare Access**

1. Do you have any kind of health care coverage, including health insurance, pre-paid plans such as HMO's, or government plans such as Medicare?
2. During the past 12 months, was there any time that you did not have any health insurance or coverage?
3. Do you have one person you think of as your personal doctor or health care provider?

### **Core 3: Exercise**

1. During the past month, other than your regular job, did you participate in any physical activities or exercises such as running, calisthenics (cal i STEN iks), golf, gardening, or walking for exercise?

### **Core 4: Hypertension Awareness**

1. Have you ever been told by a doctor that you have high blood pressure?
2. Are you currently taking medicine for your high blood pressure?



### **Core 5: Cholesterol Awareness**

1. Blood cholesterol is a fatty substance found in the blood. Have you ever had your blood cholesterol checked?
2. About how long has it been since you last had your blood cholesterol checked?
3. Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that your blood cholesterol is high?

### **Core 6: Asthma**

1. Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that you had asthma?
2. Do you still have asthma?

### **Core 7: Diabetes**

1. Have you ever been told by a doctor that you have diabetes?

### **Core 8: Arthritis**

1. During the past 12 months, have you had pain, aching, stiffness or swelling in or around a joint?
2. Were these symptoms present on most days for at least one month?
3. Are you now limited in any way in any activities because of joint symptoms?
4. Have you ever seen a doctor, nurse or other health professional for these joint symptoms?
5. Have you ever been told by a doctor that you have arthritis?
6. Are you currently being treated by a doctor for arthritis?

### **Core 9: Immunization**

1. During the past 12 months, have you had a flu shot?
2. Have you ever had a pneumonia shot? This shot is given only once or twice in a person's lifetime and is different from the flu shot. It is also called the pneumococcal (new mo COCK kle) vaccine.

### **Core 10: Tobacco Use**

1. Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?
2. Do you now smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all?
3. During the past 12 months have you stopped smoking for one day or longer because you were trying to quit smoking?

### **Core 11: Alcohol Use**

1. During the past 30 days, have you had at least one drink of any alcoholic beverage such as beer, wine, a malt beverage or liquor?
2. One drink is equivalent to a 12-ounce beer, a 5-ounce glass of wine, or a drink with one shot of liquor. During the past 30 days, on the days when you drank, about how many drinks did you drink on the average?
3. Considering all types of alcoholic beverages, how many times during the past 30 days did you have 5 or more drinks on an occasion?

### **Core 13: Demographics**

1. What is your age?
2. Are you Hispanic or Latino?
3. Which one or more of the following would you say is your race?
4. Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race?
5. Marital status?
6. How many children less than 18 years of age live in your household?
7. What is the highest grade or year of school you completed?
8. Are you currently?
9. Is your annual household income from all sources?
10. About how much do you weigh without shoes?
11. About how tall are you without shoes?
12. What is your ZIP Code?
13. Do you have more than one telephone number in your household? Do not include cell phones or numbers that are only used by a computer or fax machine.
14. How many of these are residential numbers?
15. How many adult members of your household currently use a cell phone for any purpose?
16. Not counting interruptions in service because of the weather, has your regular home telephone service been disconnected in the last 12 months?
17. In the past 12 months, about how many months in total were you without a working home telephone? (Do not count cell phones)

18. And I need to verify that you are (male/female).
19. The next question relates to military service. Have you ever served on active duty in the United States Armed Forces, either in the regular military or in a National Guard or military reserve unit?

### **Arkansas CAHS Module 1: Women's Health**

1. The next questions concern women's health. What types of things can women do to help in the early detection of breast cancer?
2. Is there anything else women can do to help in the early detection of breast cancer?
3. A mammogram is an x-ray of each breast to look for breast cancer. Have you ever had a mammogram?
4. What is the most important reason why you haven't had a mammogram?
5. Are there any other reasons why you haven't had a mammogram?
6. How long has it been since you had your last mammogram?
7. What is the most important reason why you haven't had a mammogram in the past two years?
8. Are there any other reasons why you haven't had a mammogram in the past two years?
9. Was your last mammogram done as part of a routine checkup, because of a breast problem other than cancer, or because you've already had breast cancer?
10. In the past month, have you noticed any posters, billboards, commercials, or advertisements with a message about having a mammogram test?
11. Are you aware that "BreastCare" is a program of the local health department, offers free breast exams and mammograms to women age 40 and older?
12. How often do you believe women your age should get a mammogram?
13. Did a doctor suggest that you have your most recent mammogram?
14. Have you ever had breast cancer?
15. Do you think your risk of getting breast cancer is high, medium, low, or none?
16. If you wanted to have a mammogram, would you have to pay for all, part, or none of the cost?
17. How difficult would it be for you to pay for the cost of the mammogram test? Would you say very difficult, somewhat difficult, a little difficult, or not at all difficult?
18. A clinical breast exam is when a doctor, nurse, or other health professional feels the breast for lumps. Have you ever had a clinical breast exam?

19. How long has it been since your last breast exam?
20. Was your last breast exam done as part of a routine checkup, because of a breast problem other than cancer, or because you have already had breast cancer?
21. A Pap smear is a test for cancer of the cervix. Have you ever had a Pap smear?
22. How long has it been since you had your last Pap smear?
23. Was your last Pap smear done as part of a routine exam, or to check a current or previous problem?
24. Have you had a hysterectomy?

#### **Core 14: Disability & Quality of Life**

1. Are you limited in any way in any activities because of physical, mental, or emotional problems?
2. Do you now have any health problem that requires you to use special equipment, such as a cane, a wheelchair, a special bed, or a special telephone?
3. How often do you get the social and emotional support you need?
4. In general, how satisfied are you with your life?

#### **Core 15: Physical Activity**

1. When you are at work, which of the following best describes what you do? Would you say:
2. Now, thinking about the moderate physical activities you do when you are not working, in a usual week, do you do moderate activities for at least 10 minutes at a time, such as brisk walking, bicycling, vacuuming, gardening, or anything else that causes small increases in breathing or heart rate?
3. How many days per week do you do these moderate activities for at least 10 minutes at a time?
4. On days when you do moderate activities for at least 10 minutes at a time, how much total time per day do you spend doing these activities?
5. Now thinking about the vigorous physical activities you do when you are not working, in a usual week, do you do vigorous activities for at least 10 minutes at a time, such as running, aerobics, heavy yard work, or anything else that causes large increases in breathing or heart rate?
6. How many days per week do you do these vigorous activities for at least 10 minutes at a time?
7. On days when you do vigorous activities for at least 10 minutes at a time, how much total time per day do you spend doing these activities?

### **Core 16: Prostate Cancer Screening**

1. A Prostate-Specific Antigen test, also called a PSA test, is a blood test used to check men for prostate cancer. Have you ever had a PSA test?
2. How long has it been since you had your last PSA test?
3. A digital rectal exam is an exam in which a doctor, nurse, or other health professional places a gloved finger into the rectum to feel the size, shape, and hardness of the prostate gland. Have you ever had a digital rectal exam?
4. How long has it been since your last digital rectal exam?
5. Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that you had prostate cancer?
6. Has your father, brother, son, or grandfather ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or health professional that he had prostate cancer?

### **Core 17: Colorectal Cancer Screening**

1. A blood stool test is a test that may use a special kit at home to determine whether the stool contains blood. Have you ever had this test using a home kit?
2. How long has it been since you had your last blood stool test using a home kit?
3. Sigmoidoscopy (sig-moyd-OS-kopee) or colonoscopy (kolon-OS-kopee) are exams in which a tube is inserted in the rectum to view the bowel for signs of cancer and other health problems. Have you ever had either of these exams?
4. How long has it been since you had your last sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy?

### **Core 18: HIV/AIDS**

1. Have you ever been tested for HIV? Do not count tests you may have had as part of a blood donation.
2. Not including blood donations, in what month and year was your last HIV test?
3. Where did you have your last HIV test, at a private doctor or HMO office, at a counseling and testing site, at a hospital, at a clinic, in a jail or prison, at home, or somewhere else?
4. I am going to read you a list. When I am done, please tell me if any of the situations apply to you. You do not need to tell me which one.

### **ARKANSAS CAHS Module 2: Oral Health**

1. How long has it been since you last visited a dentist or a dental clinic for any reason?
2. How many of your permanent teeth have been removed because of tooth decay or gum disease? Do not include teeth lost for other reasons, such as injury or orthodontics.
3. How long has it been since you had your teeth “cleaned” by a dentist or dental hygienist?

### **ARKANSAS CAHS Module 3: Cardiovascular Disease Prevalence**

1. Has a doctor ever told you that you had a heart attack, also called a myocardial infraction?
2. Has a doctor ever told you that you had angina or coronary heart disease?
3. Has a doctor ever told you that you had a stroke?

### **ARKANSAS CAHS Module 4: Fruits and Vegetables**

1. How often do you drink fruit juices such as orange, grapefruit, or tomato?
2. Not counting juice, how often do you eat fruit?
3. How often do you eat green salad?
4. How often do you eat potatoes not including French fries, fried potatoes, or potato chips?
5. How often do you eat carrots?
6. Not counting carrots, potatoes, or salad, how many servings of vegetables do you usually eat?

### **ARKANSAS CAHS Module 5: Tobacco Indicators**

1. How old were you the first time you smoked a cigarette, even one or two puffs?
2. How old were you when you first started smoking cigarettes regularly?
3. About how long has it been since you last smoked cigarettes regularly?
4. In the past 12 months, have you seen a doctor, nurse, or other health professional to get any kind of care for yourself?
5. In the past 12 months, has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional advised you to quit smoking?
6. Which statement best describes the rules about smoking inside your home?

7. Have you ever been told by a doctor or other health care professional that you have chronic bronchitis?
8. Have you ever been told by a doctor or other health care professional that you have emphysema?
9. Have you ever been told by a doctor or other health care professional that you have Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)?
10. Have you ever used or tried any smokeless tobacco products such as chewing tobacco or snuff?
11. Do you currently use chewing tobacco or snuff every day, some days, or not at all?
12. Have you ever smoked a cigar, even one or two puffs?
13. Do you now smoke cigars every day, some days, or not at all?
14. Have you ever smoked tobacco in a pipe, even one or two puffs?
15. Do you now smoke a pipe every day, some days, or not at all?
16. A bidi (BEE-dee) is a flavored cigarette from India. Have you ever smoked a bidi, even one or two puffs?
17. Do you now smoke bidis (BEE-dees) every day, some days, or not at all?